

THE WEATHER

Light, variable breezes mainly from the SW. Fair at first, soon becoming cloudy with occasional thunderstorms and showers. At noon at the Observatory the temp was 84 degrees F and the relative humid 81 per cent.

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THREATS?
IT is not often that we find ourselves agreeing with what Mr. Khrushchev has said, but we see eye-to-eye with him in one part (but, he it noted, only one) of his latest speech on the international position. He says the world is being pushed to the brink of danger. True, it is. And at times, we might add, the whole nightmarish affair appears like one of those Greek tragedies, with the inevitable end unfolding itself inexorably as the play goes on.

But we stop agreeing with Mr. Khrushchev at this point. For he attributes the danger of a third world war to the Western Alliance. He talks of the possibility of a military attack by the "imperialists" (that word again!) on the socialist States. What nonsense! As if anyone in the West contemplates—even for a moment in the middle of a pipe dream—the possibility of a Western attack on the Soviet Union!

HE alleges that "military hysteria" is increasing in the United States. If it is, it is a remarkably quiet and hidden hysteria for it is not visible either in the American Press, or over the radio, or in its news magazines, or in the temper of Congress.

In fact, the situation is just the reverse in the United States, and the complaint there is that the average citizen, rather than hysterically shouting for war against Russia, is so concerned with the daily round and the common task that Berlin might be on another planet so little does he worry about it.

And to refer to President Kennedy's proposed "217,000 increase in the armed forces of the United States" as a "threat" would be laughable if it were not so obviously stupid as to lead one to fear that there is some sinister motive behind all these unfounded accusations.

FOR, make no mistake about it, Mr. Khrushchev is no fool. He is as well informed about conditions in the United States as any American citizen.

And, when he distorts that situation, it is for a very good motive. Either he is about to commit some act that may well push us all over that brink he was talking about, and is trying to pin the blame on to the Americans in advance, or he is trying to push the West into negotiating the Berlin and German issues.

We ourselves think the latter is the more probable. No one, not even the most rabid Communist, would deliberately plunge the world into war. The Kremlin knows the consequences just as we do. We have always held that the best way of settling the whole thing was to get together again around a table in spite of the many failures in negotiations with the Communists in the past.

THERE must be some solution agreeable to both sides, and the only way to reach it is to have another Summit.

When Britain was the world's leading nation she did everything in her power to avert world war. She leaned over backwards to accommodate Hitler. This is not a cowardly thing. It is an honorable, decent thing, to try to avert war.

And, in the light of Mr. Khrushchev's speech — far less belligerent than many in the past and than might justifiably have been expected in the circumstances — it is up to the United States to take the lead in proposing talks. It is the world's only ray of hope.

Council gives broad approval to Western plans NATO FACES THE CHALLENGE

To intensify consultations over Berlin

Paris, Aug. 8.

Nato's 15-nation Ministerial Council today gave broad approval to Western plans to meet the Soviet challenge over Berlin, and decided to intensify consultations "in view of the seriousness of the situation."

A communique issued after a two-hour top secret meeting of the Alliance's Council said that it had received and discussed a statement presented by Mr. Dean Rusk, United States Secretary of State, following his weekend consultations with the British, French and West German Foreign Ministers.

Conviction

The communique reiterated: • The West's conviction that a peaceful and just solution for the problems of Germany, including Berlin, is to be found only on the basis of self-determination.

• Western determination to maintain the freedom of West Berlin and its people.

• On the Soviet Union's threat to sign a separate German peace treaty, the Western powers stood by their 1958 declaration that the "renunciation by the Soviet Union of the inter-allied agreements on Berlin can in no way deprive the other parties of their rights or relieve the Soviet Union of its obligations."

This basic Western position was laid down by the Foreign Ministers of the Atlantic Alliance at their meeting in Oslo, Norway, last May.

A Nato spokesman said that Mr. Rusk had spoken for an hour and a "very good" broad discussion followed.

He said delegates would now consult their governments, and the Nato permanent council here would continue its consultations shortly.

Diplomatic sources said that the preparatory measures in the political, economic and military fields agreed by the four Western Foreign Ministers to meet any Soviet threat on Berlin had won broad approval in the Nato council.

The Nato allies met in the wake of a warning by Lord Home, Foreign Secretary, that the Berlin situation "may go very badly wrong some time in the autumn or sometime towards the end of the year." — Reuters.

RE-ENTRY FROM SPACE: SOVIETS SOLVE PROBLEM

Moscow, Aug. 8.

Soviet scientists and engineers had solved the problem of landing a spaceship which entered the atmosphere three to four times faster than a shell, a Russian space expert said today.

Mr. Anatoly Blagonravov, a member of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, said in Izvestia, the Soviet Government newspaper, that a spaceship enters the dense layers of the atmosphere at more than 12,500 miles an hour, the Soviet news agency, Tass, reported.

LOW SPEED

Practice had shown that Soviet spaceships came to earth at a sufficiently low speed to escape any considerable damage. He said: "Absolute dependability was the immutable law in designing the systems which ensure normal living conditions for a cosmonaut in flight."

"For the extremely unlikely eventuality of a failure of the systems ensuring normal conditions in the cabin or the loss of its hermetically through, for instance, a collision with a relatively large micro-meteor, the cosmonaut has been supplied with a pressure suit with an independent oxygen supply."

In its scientific instrumentation, the spaceship might be compared with a big modern laboratory. Mr. Blagonravov added. One of the main tasks was the provision of dependable equipment to relay medical and biological information back to earth.

Vostok II carried light, compact, radio-telemetric devices resistant to vibration and overload which enabled earth to hear Major Titov's breathing.

EARTHQUAKE

A strong earthquake, apparently centered in the middle of the Aleutian Islands off Alaska, was recorded today by the Western College seismograph observatory.

A spokesman said the tremor struck at 12:20:52 GMT.—UPI.

Guevara sparks a riot

Montevideo, Aug. 8. Fist fighting broke out in and outside of the Inter-American Economic Conference hall, in Punta del Este, tonight after Cuba's Ernesto Che Guevara attacked President Kennedy's alliance for progress proposal in a two hour and 15 minute speech.



I'm immediately after Guevara ended his harangue against President Kennedy's programme for Latin America, a bespectacled man in the audience started shouting "assassin" at Guevara.

Two security guards grabbed him and, within seconds, were hauling him out of the hall as fists flew.

RUSHED

The man who was rushed out of the hall was identified as a member of the anti-Castro revolutionary fronts. As he was taken outside the convention hall into the lobby of the building, a second fist-swinging riot broke out between anti-Castro sympathisers and guards.

One of the men shouting against Castro was grabbed by two guards and half carried out the front door, where he was released.—AP.

Baseball kills boy

New York, Aug. 8.

A batted baseball struck Dale Anderson, 7, in the stomach as he and a friend practiced on a field in St. Paul, Minnesota. Dale collapsed and died a few minutes later.

The coroner said Dale suffocated because he vomited and inhaled at almost the same instant.—AP.

Survivor of jungle crash relates ordeal



A JAVELIN JET

Dacca, Aug. 8. A British "air force navigator, saved today from the swamps of the Ganges Delta, told his rescuers he spent three nights crouched in trees while monsoon rains lashed the jungle.

Master Navigator A. Melton, a burly six-footer, climbed unaided from the amphibian when flew him here from the scene of his jungle ordeal. His right leg was cut, but his general condition was said to be good.

His handlebar moustache touched above a half-inch growth of beard. Melton parachuted into the jungle as his Javelin jet-fighter

came down and crashed on a night from Britain to Singapore. The Javelin pilot, Flight Lieutenant Edward Owens, 30, was killed on landing. His body was found on Sunday and buried here yesterday.

The 35-year-old navigator whose wife lives in married quarters at RAF station Waterbeach, Cambridgeshire, said he had been lucky. In his four-day wanderings through the dense Sunderbans jungle he had not seen any of the tigers or other dangerous animals and reptiles which infest it.

But he had had no shelter from the monsoon and was soaked to the skin all the time. "I have not slept for three nights," he said.

Melton owes his life to the miniature wireless transmitting set in his survival kit. A searching RAF Shackleton bomber picked up faint signals from his radio yesterday and dropped packets of food and a Very pistol.

A FLARE

Melton found these this morning and fired a flare to attract the attention of a Shackleton overhead. The amphibian, with two doctors aboard, was guided to Melton shortly before a rescue team was due to parachute into the jungle. They were to have carried explosives to blast a way through the dense jungle in their search for the missing navigator.—China Mail Special.

WHALE CRASHES INTO ATLANTIC LINER

Oslo, Aug. 8.

The Norwegian-America Line luxury liner, Oslofjord, hit a whale while sailing the Atlantic off full speed from New York to Norway on August 2, Captain Bjornulf Egeland reported today.

The 543 passengers had just been served dinner, when the ship shuddered. People ran on deck. Seamen reported that blood flowed in the wake of the liner.

"I have sailed since 1938, and nothing like this ever happened to me before," the Captain said. "Whales usually keep their distance. That whale must have been sick." —AP.

EFFECT OF THE TEXTILE PACT CANNOT BE PREDICTED

Washington, Aug. 8.

Mr. Luther Hodges, Secretary of Commerce, today said he could not forecast the effect of the recent international cotton textile agreement.

He was asked at a press conference if he could give a progress report on the agreement to re-route the flow of textile exports from the world's largest producing areas and increase exports from the less-developed countries, as well as lower restrictions on imports employed by some countries.

SOME TIME

He replied he could not say when the agreement would take effect "because some of the countries have not yet ratified the agreement."

"It takes a little time," he said. "It hasn't been long. Some (countries) have already signed."

He added that President Kennedy would have to designate which department in the government would handle the agreement, but he thought the Commerce Department would be the better agency to administer the pact.—Reuters.

RECORD NUMBER OF E. GERMAN REFUGEES

Berlin, Aug. 8.

A record number of 1,741 East German refugees flocked into West Berlin in the 24-hour period from noon on Monday to noon today, it was announced.

Commenting on this figure, West German Minister of German Affairs, Mr. Ernst Lemmer, said: "These figures should make Mr. Khrushchev think—in the interests of his own people." He said Mr. Khrushchev should ask himself if it was politically worthwhile to conclude a separate peace treaty with such a country as Eastern Germany, which was so obviously abhorred by the population it was supposed to govern.

CONVERSION OF U.S. UNITS INTO COMBAT DIVISIONS

Washington, Aug. 8.

The Army has called for the immediate conversion of three training divisions into combat divisions ready for deployment on short notice, the White House told Senator John J. Carroll, Democrat—Colorado, today.

The units are the First Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kansas; Second Infantry Division, Fort Benning, Georgia; and Second Armored Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

PERMANENT

Simultaneously, Senator Carroll was notified that an Army basic training center capable of training about 16,000 soldiers will go into operation at Fort Carson, Colorado on September 7.

Carson will receive its first trainees early next month and will have a permanent strength of about 4,000, Senator Carroll said.—UPI.

TWO DIE IN UK GALES

London, Aug. 8.

Gales lashed London and the south of England today killing two men, injuring several others and causing widespread damage.

A timber shed being erected at Thames-Side Tibury was blown down by high winds, killing a workman.

The other death was at Dover, where a teen-ager, believed to be an overseas visitor, was swept away while swimming off the beach.

At the Port of Southampton, 72-mile-an-hour winds and

mountainous waves caused a slight collision between the 29,600-ton liner Arcadia and the Dutch liner Waterman. No one was hurt.—AP.

17/21 Club's photo competition

Three expensive Minolta cameras are offered as first prizes in the China Mail 17/21 Club Photographic Competition which opened last Saturday.

And you can join if you are between the ages of 17 and 31 and a member of the club. You will find a membership form in the club section in Saturday's China Mail.

CLOSING DATE

The competition will close on October 2 and entries will be judged by a group of Hong Kong's most distinguished photographers.

The three sections you can enter are—portraits, pets, general. With each entry enclose a competition entry form which will be printed in the China Mail from tomorrow onwards.



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'Defence' stocks rise in Wall Street

New York, Aug. 8.

Stocks got off to a firm start this morning but failed to make much further progress, despite another show of strength by a wide variety of defence issues.

Relatively small gains in the popular market indicators were enough to lift the market to a new record high, however. Trading progressed well ahead of yesterday's pace with the tickers running behind floor transactions at the first bell. Investor attention was drawn primarily to suspected beneficiaries of the nation's stepped-up defence programme with

related issues including Lockheed, General Dynamics, United Aircraft, McDonnell, Rockwell, and Raytheon showing gains running from 1 1/2 to 4 points.

Today's volume was 4,050,000 shares. Of a total 1,280 issues traded, 560 were higher and 497 lower. American Exchange volume was 1,230,000 shares.

30-day volume amounted to \$6,640,000.

Dow-Jones closing averages:

30 Industrials, 720.22 up 0.84

20 Rails, 139.88 up 0.26

15 Utilities, 110.29 up 0.14

65 Stocks, 237.00, up 0.26.

Strong demand for sterling

London, Aug. 8.

The pound was in strong demand on the London Foreign Exchange market this morning.

There was a rise of 5/32 cent against the US dollar with the rate now at 2.80-13/32, while the Canadian dollar was one-half cent cheaper at 2.89 1/2.

There was a big demand from the Continent and rates moved up steeply. Biggest gains were against the French franc where the rate is no less than 3 1/2 cent higher at 13.77 1/2.

The German mark was 2 1/2 opening cheaper at 11.13 1/2 and the Swiss franc favoured sterling to the extent of 3/4 cent at 12.11 1/2.

Other rates all moved well in favour of London—UPI.

Agreed merchant rates

Canadian Dollars Maximum Selling, 17-31/32, Minimum Buying, 18-7/32 T.T., 18-9/32 O.D.

Swiss Francs, Maximum Selling, 74-15/16.

Belgian Francs, Maximum Selling, 802.

West German Deutschmarks, Maximum Selling 69-3/16.

UNIT TRUSTS

First Hongkong Fund \$1.28 (buyer), \$1.30 (seller).
Second Hongkong Fund 97 cents (buyer), \$1.03 (seller).
Special offer seller price \$1.

New York rubber market

New York, Aug. 8.

Rex rubber futures today closed unchanged at 13 points higher with sales of 26 contracts.

Switching operations involving the November and March contracts provided the trading feature in an otherwise quiet terminal situation.

In the shipment market, offerings were heavier and scattered, but too high priced to interest local buyers.

Offerings included: small bulk Comp one ribs 28 1/2 cents and two ribs 29 1/2 cents. Thailand offered four ribs 28 1/2 cents and four browns at 23 cents.

Indonesian offerings included three ex-browns 24 1/2 cents one thin crepe 31 cents; three ambers 23 1/2 cents four ambers 23 1/2 cents; three browns 23 1/2 cents and four browns at 23 1/2 cents.

Locally, spot No. 1 RSS was quoted 30 cents and current months 28 1/2 cents a pound nominal—UPI.

BRAZIL CREDIT AGREEMENT

Rome, Aug. 8.

Brazil has concluded a \$21 million credit agreement with Italy, the President of the Bank of Brazil, Mr. Joao Batista Figueredo said yesterday. This follows a similar credit agreement with France.

Mr. Figueredo is on a Europe-wide tour to sign agreements totalling \$110 million with eight countries.

In addition to Italy and France, he will sign agreements with West Germany (\$2 million), Belgium (six million), Netherlands (six million), Switzerland (12 million), Sweden (two million), Britain (\$8.5 million)—UPI.

COMMODITY PRICES

COTTON

NEW YORK
Closing prices all in cents per lb.
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Attempt being made to mine diamonds from bed of sea

London, Aug. 8. The first large-scale attempt to mine diamonds from the bed of the sea is about to be made off the south-west coast of Africa, it was claimed here tonight.

SOLDIER KILLS WIFE, THEN SHOTS HIMSELF

Mannheim, Aug. 8. U.S. Army authorities said tonight Sgt. George T. Reeder killed himself after fatally shooting his wife, Betty, in a family argument late on Sunday. They said Reeder, of Halley, Idaho, fired three rounds from a .35 pistol into his wife's back as she attempted to flee and then turned the gun on himself. Both were pronounced dead on arrival at a local dispensary where they were taken after neighbours called Military Police.

Garvey L. Price, their six-year-old stepson, and their son William T. Reeder, 1, were being cared for by neighbours temporarily.—AP.

Howard Hughes New system sued for US\$115 million advocated in Angola

New York, Aug. 8. Trans World Airlines today filed a US\$115 million anti-trust suit against Mr. Howard Hughes, head of the Hughes Tool Company, and Mr. Raymond M. Holliday, a TWA director.

The suit, filed in Federal District Court, charged them and the Hughes Company with illicit acts to seize control of TWA "for their own purposes."

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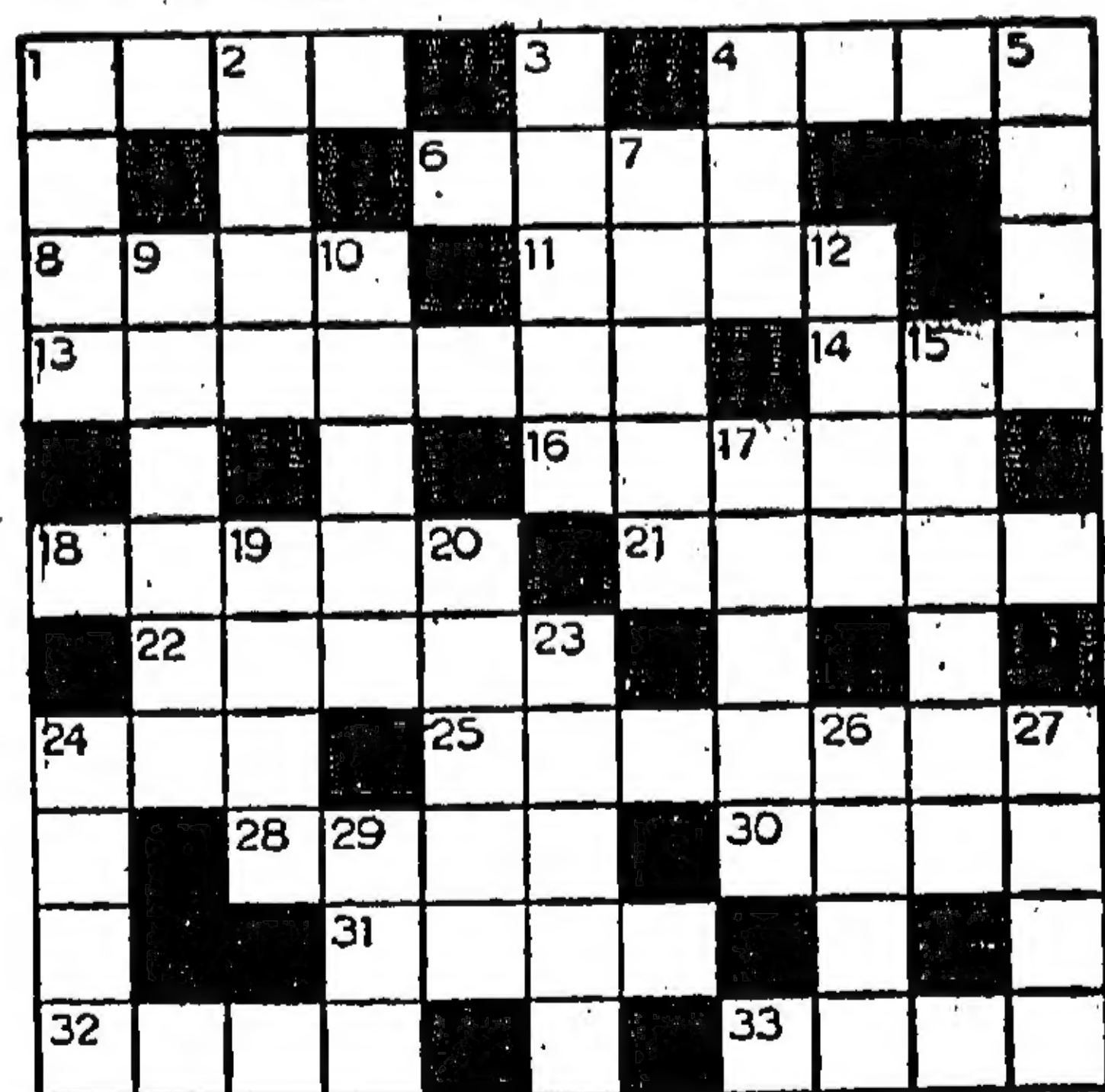
The complaint said the defendants had conspired since 1959 to restrain commerce by providing financing for TWA acquisition of aircraft on condition that all such aircraft be acquired from the Hughes Company.

The suit identified Holliday as the chief operating officer of the Hughes Company and Hughes as the Company's sole stockholder.

The defendants were charged with violating the Sherman Anti-Trust Act by requiring TWA to boycott all suppliers of aircraft, including jet planes, except the Hughes Company. TWA said the defendants intended to "have TWA as a captive market upon terms advantageous to themselves."

The complaint said further that the defendants intended the Hughes company to become the dominant source of supply of jet aircraft to air carriers.—AP.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 A modern necessity.
- 4 Heels.
- 6 Too.
- 8 It's a boy.
- 11 Hints waiters get.
- 13 Lady name.
- 14 Globe.
- 16 Show.
- 18 Burner.
- 21 Shoots.
- 22 Weight.
- 24 Favourable reply.
- 25 Highball.
- 28 It's inside the door.
- 30 With good reason.
- 31 He succeeds.
- 32 Miss Bryan?
- 33 Particle.

DOWN

- 1 Servant.
- 2 Shortly.
- 3 Vary.
- 4 Fair P.C.
- 5 Cigarette end.
- 7 Wren's neutral.
- 9 City.
- 10 Every inch a king!
- 12 Tart.
- 13 That's the ticket!
- 17 Sirens.
- 18 Over-hasty.
- 20 Fur.
- 23 Flower.
- 24 Measure an enclosure.
- 26 Orient.
- 27 Look as if.
- 30 Exclamation.

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WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS ABOUT?

New York, Aug. 8. Circus lion tamer Rick Flynn left a 16-month-old lion in his car when he parked opposite Pennsylvania Station — and went off to lunch.

When he came back he found police barriers round the car, a large crowd and an official of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals standing by.

Flynn saw nothing strange about leaving a lion in his car. It was "as docile as any human being," and he usually left the animal, called "King Kado," in the car.

But the police took a sterner view. They gave Flynn two summonses and the parking lot owner another one.

The lion, which had been dozing until awakened by the commotion, remained calm through it all.—Reuter.

TEXAN BACKER

Man behind the project, added the spokesman, is an American—Texan Mr. Sammy Collins, head of the Collins group of companies.

Mr. Collins and his company propose to recover diamonds from the sea floor by using a method he has tested by removing shell, sand, gravel and boulders from pipeline trenches under water.

All technical tests will be carried out with the help of the General Mining and Finance Corporation Ltd., a £15 million company with experience of geology, hard rock mining and diamond panning.

On the two facts—that small scale operations have already produced diamonds from the sea bed in the area, and that the world supply of gem diamonds is growing scarce—the company expects to be successful.—Reuter.

U.S.-Japanese economic talks

Tokyo, Aug. 8. Mr. Dean Rusk, US Secretary of State, and five other members of President Kennedy's Cabinet will come to Japan in November for top-level US-Japanese economic talks, Mr. Zentaro Kosaka, Foreign Minister, told the press today. The six US leaders will meet the Japanese in launching the new US-Japan Economic Council which President Kennedy and Mr. Ikeda decided to create when they conferred recently in Washington.—AP.

UN expected to discuss Tunisian issue

United Nations, Aug. 8. United Nations Secretariat circles tonight were sure that the necessary 50 signatures required to summon a special UN General Assembly session to discuss the Franco-Tunisian conflict would be forthcoming within the next 24 hours, and the General Assembly might meet next Monday.

Only three signatures were lacking, since 47 Afro-Asian, Communist and other countries have already supported the move. At their request, UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld sent out telegrams to the 52 delegations of the member countries which had not yet taken a position on the question, but so far has received no answer. However enough affirmative answers to make up the necessary total were expected.

The countries supporting the move for the special session were 25 Afro-Asian countries, nine Soviet Bloc countries, two Latin American countries, and Yugoslavia.—AFP.

MORE TROUBLE BREWING IN LAOS

Geneva, Aug. 8. The International Control Commission reported from Laos today that both rival factions were building up their military strength, and warned that new armed fighting could break out unless a firm ceasefire settlement is reached.

The ICC report, dated July 28, was circulated as the 14-nation conference agreed in record time on two articles in the Laotian neutrality declaration.

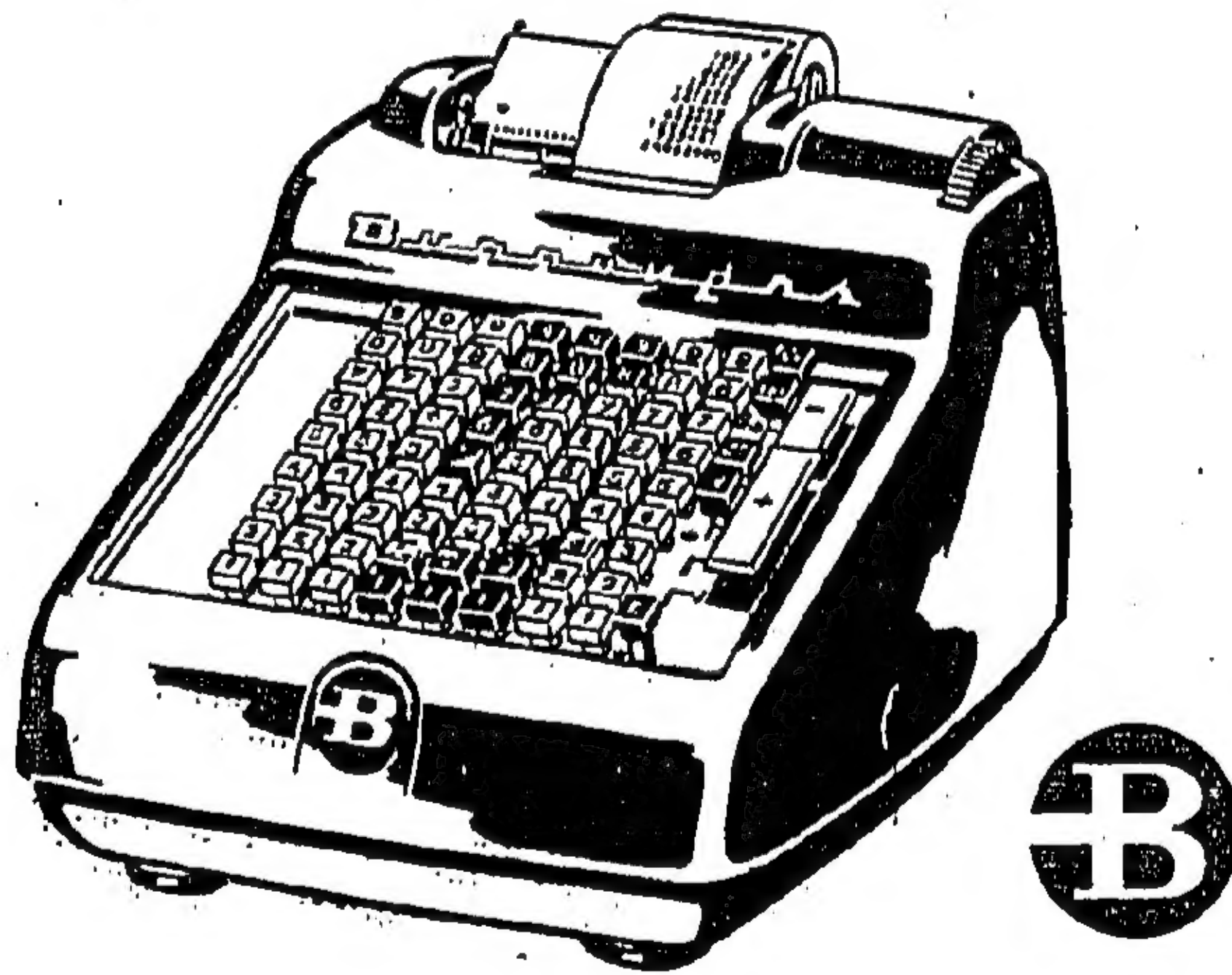
These covered an appeal to all states to recognize and respect Laotian independence and neutrality, and established conference consultations in the event the kingdom's neutrality or sovereignty were violated.

In its first report in a month, the three-nation ICC said it was still not able to carry out "any active supervision" of the ceasefire in Laos. But, the Indian, Canadian and Polish truce commissioners reported: "From general observation it would appear, however, that

some build-up of warlike equipment and other measures of military preparedness are proceeding on both sides. The possibility that either or both sides might resort to force in default of satisfactory agreements, cannot, in the view of the commission, be excluded."—UPI.

Taipei, Aug. 8. Five hoodlums listed by police as wanted gangsters have been exiled to Little Ryukyu, a lonely, penal island off Southwest Formosa. They included two men accused of extorting protection fees from prostitutes and gambling dens.—AP.

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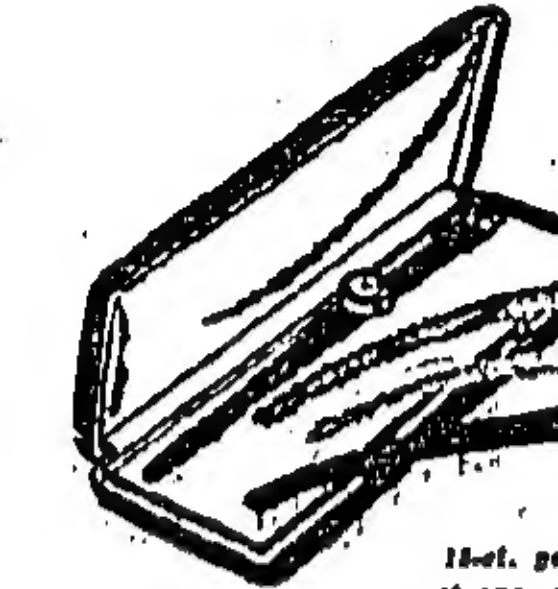
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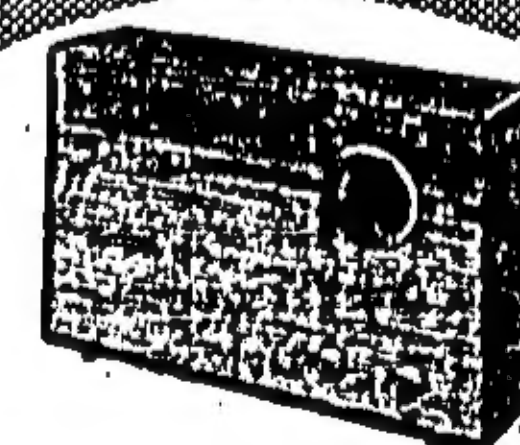
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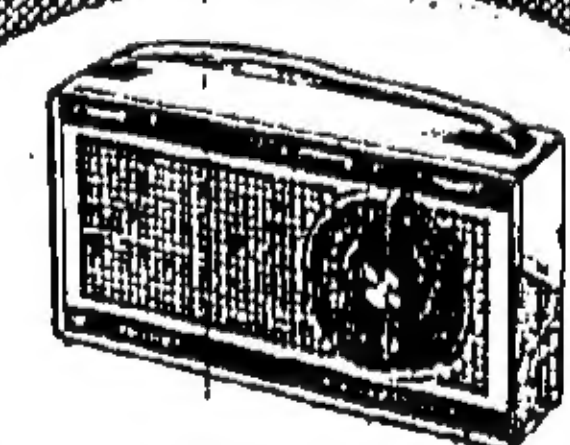


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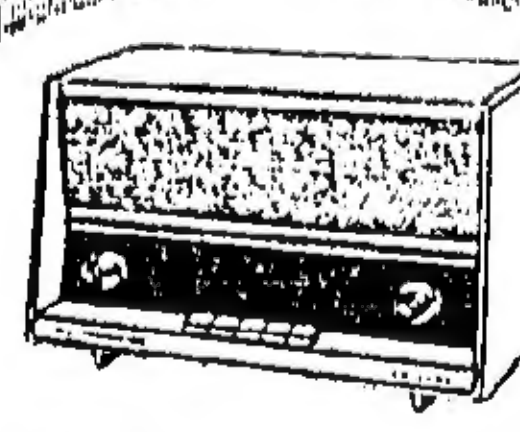
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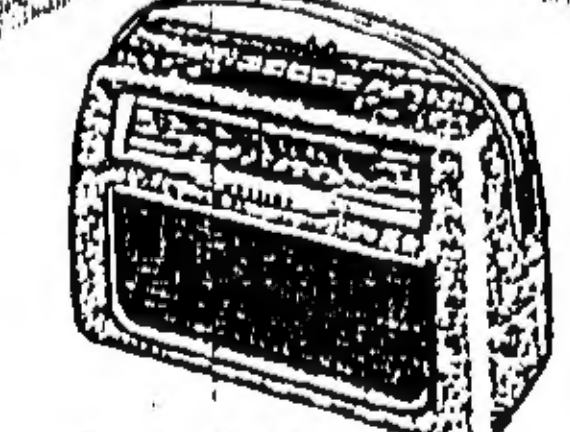
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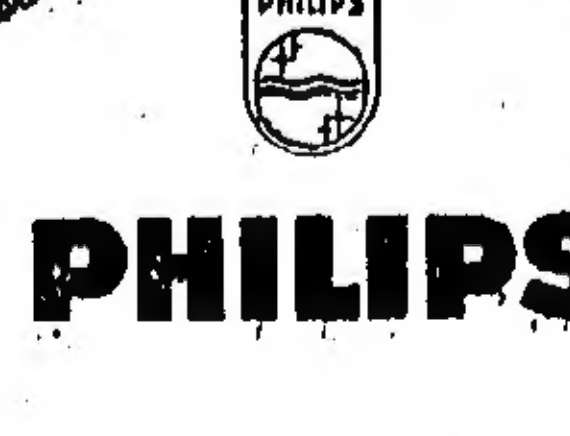
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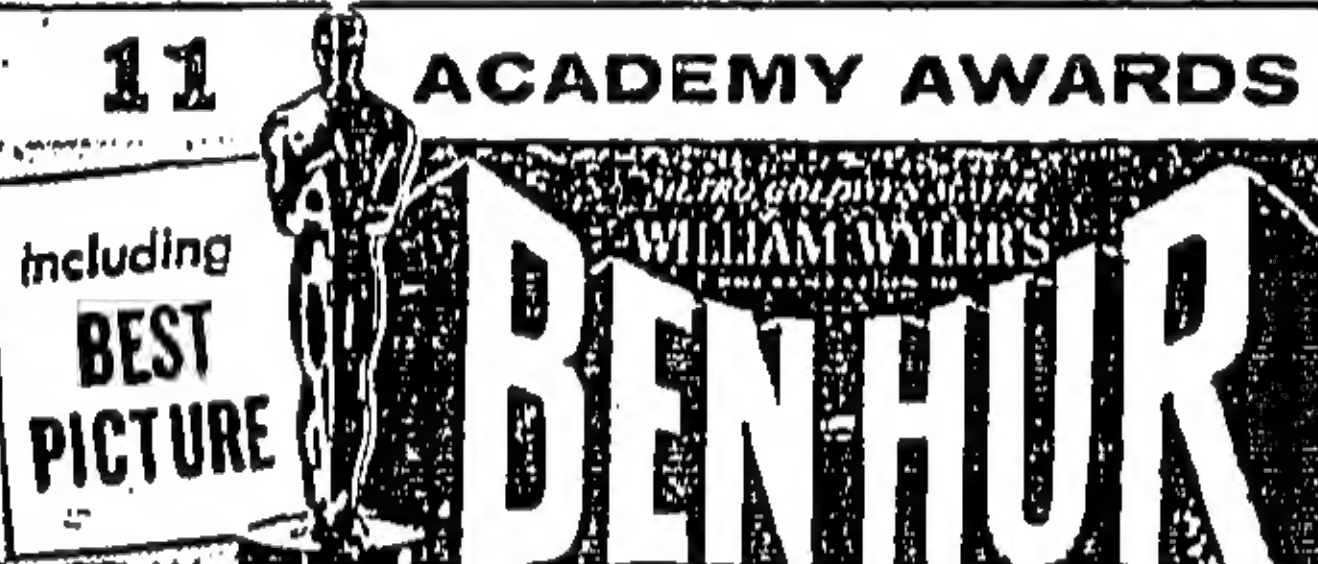
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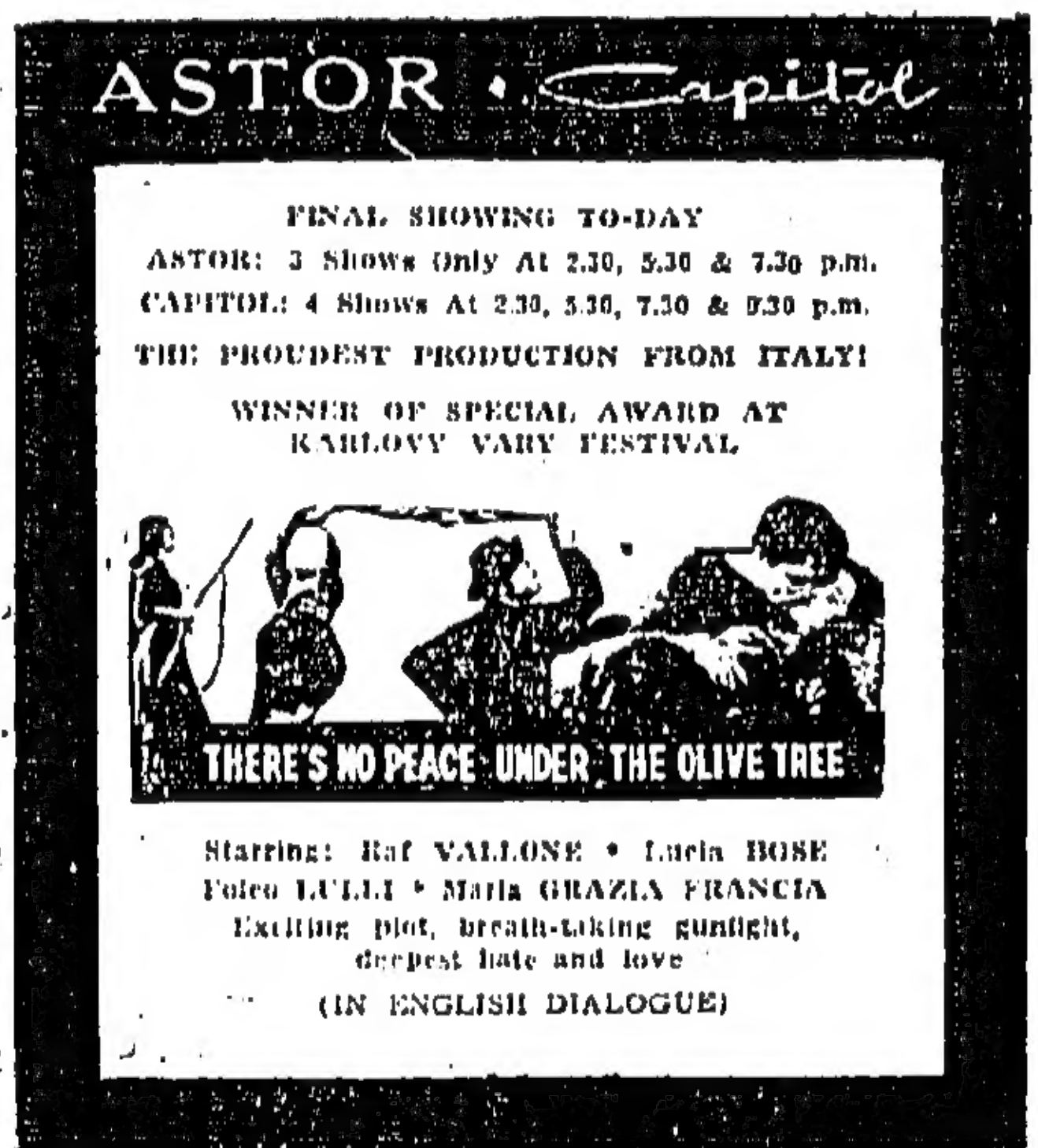
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American fugitive arrested

Washington, Aug. 8. The Justice Department today announced the arrest in Pocatello, Idaho, of Willie Hughes, 46, one of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's 10 most wanted fugitives. FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said Hughes had been working in Idaho as a farm labourer. Hughes is accused of the June 12, 1960, slaying at Detroit of Russell Sharpe, who was beaten and strangled. Hughes had been sought under a Federal warrant charging him with unlawful interstate flight to avoid prosecution for murder. He has been on the FBI's most wanted list since last March. Hoover said Hughes was found after an intensive search but did not disclose details of how he was located.—AP.

Girl, 16, tried to strangle six-year-old

Coventry, Aug. 8. A 16-year-old girl who admitted attempting to murder a six-year-old girl by partly strangling her with some rope was committed to the care of the local authority under a fit person order at Coventry Juvenile Court.

Mr. W. Wilson, prosecuting, said a rope or cord had been looped tightly round the younger girl's neck and she was left in some words.

For the 16-year-old girl, Mr. G. S. N. Recluse, said she is almost a recluse. "Everything she does is done on her own." She lacked friends and might have suffered a psychological disturbance in her religious life, he said, after breaking into and stealing from a Roman Catholic School.—China Mail Special.

Nurses bring charge

Johannesburg, Aug. 8. Eleven non-white student nurses who were allegedly caned at the King George V Government Hospital on Thursday have decided to lay accusations against the white woman responsible for the caning, a spokesman for the Durban Non-White Hospital Workers' Union said in Durban, Natal, today.

The nurses—nine African and two Indian—alleged they had been caned and set to work in the hospital garden because they were "not too bright" at their studies.

Another nurse had been asked to resign for being "cheeky,"—Reuters.

Coroner's verdict

Auckland, Aug. 8. A verdict that Sidney Arthur John Barnes, 29, assistant steward of Berkshire, England, was lost overboard from the 10,470-ton ship Port Melbourne in the Pacific Ocean, was returned by the Coroner at the inquest which ended here today. The Port Melbourne, sailing direct from Britain to Timaru, was four days out of Panama when Barnes disappeared on March 4.—China Mail Special.

Highball



Montgomery will visit China as guest of Mao

London, Aug. 8. Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, former deputy commander of Nato forces in Europe, said tonight he will travel to China next month as a personal guest of Mao Tse-tung. Lord Montgomery, now retired from the British Army after an illustrious career, said he will go on to Japan and Canada after his visit to Peking.

The purpose of his trip "is entirely my business," he told reporters today. In recent years Lord Montgomery has made private visits to the Soviet Union and China and came back with favourable accounts of conversation.



Lord Montgomery

tions with Premier Khrushchev and Chairman Mao. "Monty," as he is known to the British public, disclosed his plans while visiting an exhibition of paintings drawn by British artist Charles Thorne, while a prisoner of the Japanese in World War II.—AP.

Royal family spend Bank Holiday on lonely island

London, Aug. 8. Britain's Royal family spent the Bank Holiday on a lonely island two miles off the Welsh coast near St. Davids yesterday after the Royal yacht Britannia made an unscheduled stop there this afternoon on its way to Northern Ireland.

The Royal yacht eased into the sound of Ramsey Island and the Queen, Prince Philip, Prince Charles and Princess Anne put ashore in a liberty boat.

They clambered up an eight-foot iron ladder to the quay-side and spent about four hours on the island, which has only one farm-house on its 450 acres. The island, which is favourite haunt of sea-birds, is so isolated

Seal handed down from Lord Nelson missing

Dartmouth, Aug. 8. A gold filigree fob seal which once belonged to Lord Nelson is missing from the captain's house at the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth.

An Admiralty spokesman said the seal was "thought to have been mislaid."

The seal is hexagonal, about one and a half inches long and one inch across, and bears Nelson's coat of arms.

It belongs to Rear Admiral Horace R. Llewellyn, Captain of the College, having come down to him through Nelson's niece Charlotte, the first Duchess of Devonshire, who later married Lord Bridport.

Police have been called in to help search for the fob seal.—China Mail Special.

Printing works under control of War Administration

Djakarta, Aug. 8. The Djakarta War Administration has taken under its "supervision and care" all privately owned printing works in the capital.

Most printing shops are already under some form of government supervision. A spokesman for the War Administration said a sub-body would be set up to "formulate the supervision and analysis of all privately-run printing enterprises, and circulation of printed articles, that was formerly done by other government institutions."

About 220 printing works are affected by the new regulation. The sub-body "is empowered to confiscate, or take necessary steps" if this is considered desirable.—Reuters.

Transport line closed

London, Aug. 8. The Minister of Transport has decided to close the Westernham to Dunton Green branch line in Kent which serves Sir Winston Churchill's home town.

The line was 80 years old last month and caters for 180 season ticket holders, most of whom commute between Westernham and London. It will close in September.

Mr. H. M. Farmer, Chairman of the Westernham Passenger Users' Association, which has fought for 18 months against closure, complained that a public announcement had been delayed for three months and then made in a way that left little opportunity for opponents to carry the matter further.

"I believe this is the first time that the Minister has gone against the recommendations of the National Transport Users' Consultative Committee," he said.—China Mail Special.

Boundary treaty will be studied

Katmandu, Aug. 8. The draft of a boundary treaty between China and Nepal will be studied by experts from both countries, a joint negotiating committee announced here today.

The announcement said the committee had approved reports and survey maps of the border regions prepared by survey teams in April this year.

The treaty is expected to be signed in Peking when King Mahendra of Nepal makes an official visit to China next month.—Reuters.

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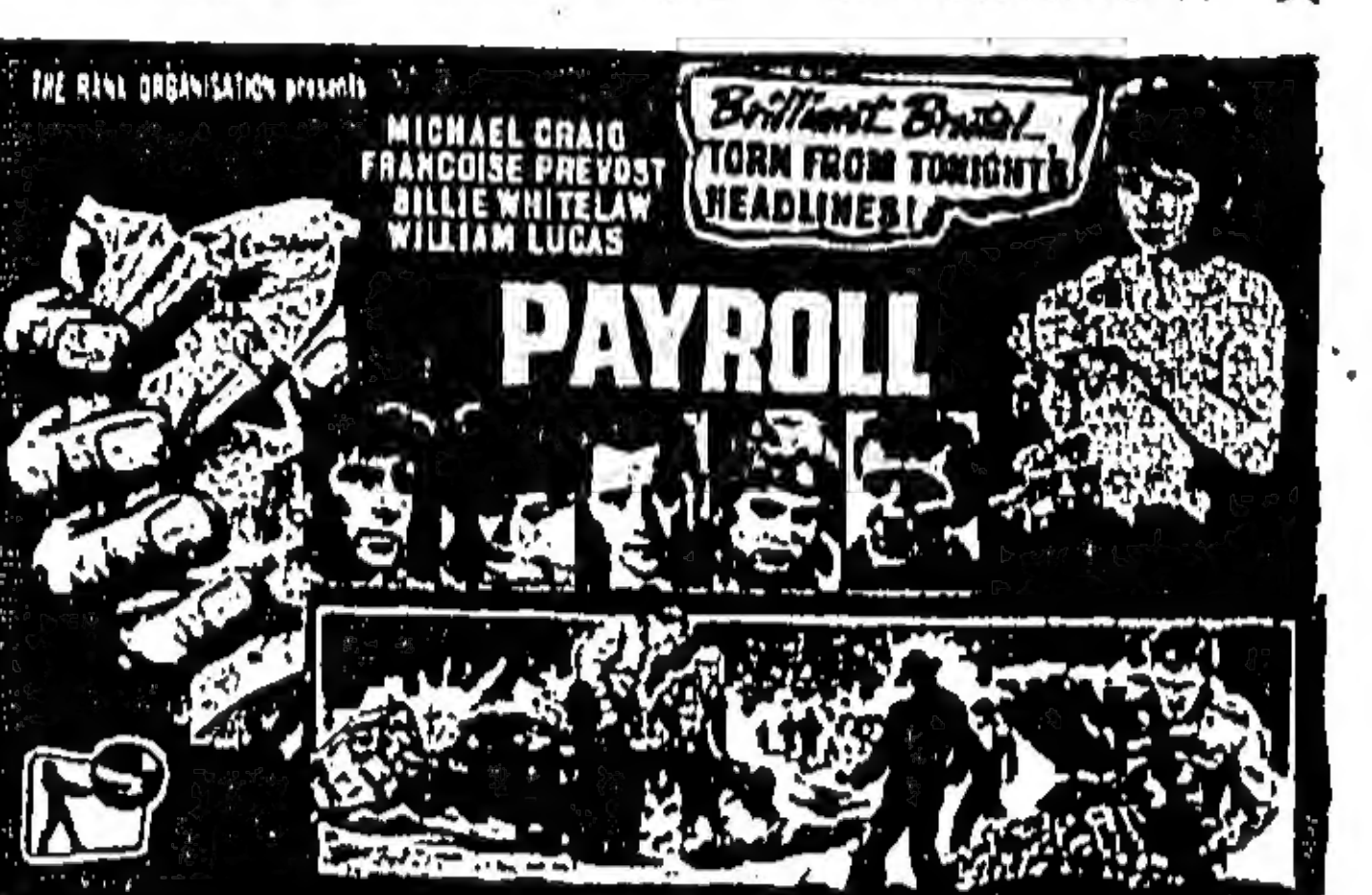
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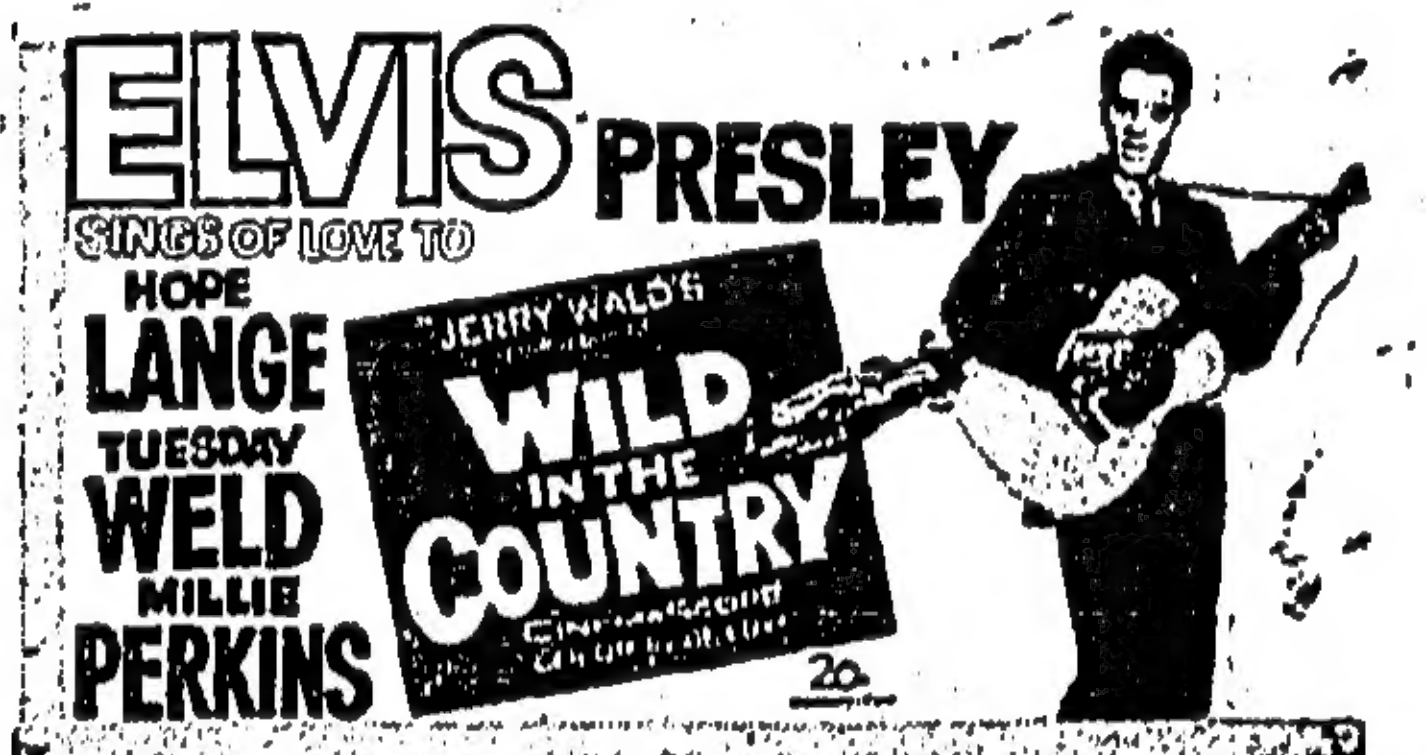
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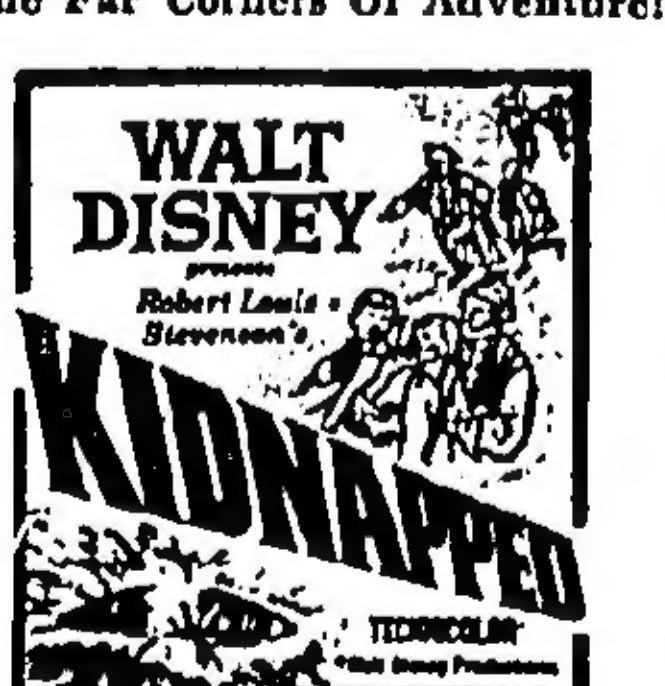


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IF YOU ARE HOPING TO DO A LITTLE SMUGGLING

by Peter Chambers

THE Customs officer at London Airport was reasonably efficient. He found everything I was carrying except the opium.

"Anything to declare?" Of course I had. A carton of American cigarettes, a half-bottle of brandy, a Kurdish bracelet, and two junk rings from the Istanbul bazaar. Value of the jewellery, about £4 10s.

"All right," he said, chuckling up my bags. So I walked out of London Airport with four seed-pods of the opium popping rattling like maracas in my travelling grip.

I picked the opium in a field in South Turkey a few weeks ago, where it is grown under Government licence.

Is it easy to diddle the Customs? Not as easy as you think, though thousands of British travellers returning from Continental holidays are trying it on at this time of year.

My opium looks as it happens, were loaded and valueless as a source of the drug. But with Swiss watches (I stopped over in Geneva) I could have made a killing.

FAVOURITE

Watches are the favourite contraband of both the professional and petty smuggler. British Customs officers pounce on more than £100,000 worth of smuggled goods every year—and nearly half the stuff is in the form of highly desirable, highly purchase-taxed watches.

Let's see how the out-and-out amateur tries it on. He wears the watch, but somehow he thinks he is deceiving the Customs officer by fixing an old wristband on to a glittering new Swiss-made job.

Laughter? Customs officers are crying into their duty-paid beer at your simplicity.

"Nothing to declare..." he says impassively. "Where did you buy that watch, eh?"

What's amazing is the way they manage to keep their faces straight as they hear the same old tales trotted out.

"It was a present from my aunt..." I blurted it off a chap in a pub.

Listen, smugglers, these stories just will not wash. The law says plainly that the onus is on the importer (that's you) to prove that duty and purchase tax has been paid.

SURRENDER

Patient interrogation will soon wear you down, and before you know it you will be getting your Aunt Edna into trouble.

"Do you know which shop your aunt bought the watch in? No? Can she produce a receipt? What is your aunt's full name and address?"

At this point the petty smuggler usually gives in.

The professional smuggler is quite a different kettle of fishy business.

He is experienced. He is ingenious. He may smuggle in jewellery in a tin of Italian tomatoes, or carry 6,000 watches into the country concealed up under the wings of his car.

Traveller, if you are carrying contraband you may have your problems. But behind his non-committal face, so has the Customs officer.

I know, I worked for the Customs and Excise for nine months in 1945.

(London Express Service).

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"Gallant little Belgium!
Gallant little
Czechoslovakia!
Gallant little Poland!
Gallant little Berlin!"

London Express Service.



"...I HAVE NOTHING AGAINST PLANNING—I ONCE WROTE A BOOK ABOUT IT..."

—MR. MACMILLAN



Bound for the Venice film festival

LAST Saturday afternoon in the Miramar Hotel lounge, Jeanette Lin-tsu, star of "Education of Love," felt like "an egg on a frying pan," worrying about how the film was doing at box offices on both sides of the harbour.

But soon she was put at ease and relaxed in her chair when phone calls to cinemas revealed that the film, for the second day running, was packing them in despite heavy downpours.

The rain was not her only cause for concern though.

"To me, it is like a battle for a come-back," she said, "because this is my first picture after almost two years of marriage."

Fear

To further clarify the point, she disclosed that her secret fear, based on a popular self-help book, was that local audiences would not go for a girl star once she was married.



Miss Helen Li Mei, that versatile actress and dancing star of MP & GI, has gone into real estate as a sideline.

The other day, she sold a luxury flat of her own in Kowloon for an alleged sum of \$300,000.

Helen bought two more flats in North Point—not for herself but for tenants and rent. Thereby Helen has two more trees from which she can collect golden apples.

So Helen has become one of the many stars who have combined acting with the real estate business.

"Another point. This is the first film in years to have dealt with a heavy subject—education—when comedies, farce, light-hearted romance and action have been the vogue of the day," she said.

"Few producers would have dared touch such a story...for fear of losing their shirts!"

The story of "Education of Love" tells of a girl's conversion to the way of her father, a primary school teacher whose philosophy—education is life—look up all his waking days on earth.

And such was her conviction after acting for her bed-ridden father, and so much was her obsession with his devotion to the calling, that upon his death she temporarily gave up the pursuit of musical stardom and her fiancé's company in preference for teaching.

Debut

Jeanette went on to yet another cause for her worry. "It was awfully difficult to make my role in the film outstanding, for I was portraying an ordinary girl who was far from being a strong character and who had no outstanding idiosyncrasies."

Such being the odds, when the film was first presented to the public, it had in suspense not only Jeanette but Robert Chung, the head of MP & GI who makes his debut in the film as a movie director.

"So when Bob Chung learned the first day's takings yesterday, he sighed with relief. The next moment he threw up his hands and said, 'I'm afraid now all my girl stars will get married,' laughed Jeanette.

Presumably, Jeanette hopes the success of the film will set a new trend in local film production so that the public can see "more films of significance."

The next touchstone is the Venice Film Festival in which "Education of Love" has been entered—the first-ever Hong Kong-made Chinese film entry.

The festival, to be held from August 20 to September 5, is of such high artistic standards that Jeanette thought "the mere nomination of the film is honour in itself."

And doubt about the festival's highbrow standard can be dispelled by what Mr. Chen Li, MP & GI's public relations officer, has to say:

"The Cannes Film Festival is more of a commercial nature. As you may have seen, many international stars make appearances themselves in Cannes—just for publicity purposes. There is just as much or even more water in Venice where

A film that means a come-back for Jeanette



High festival hopes

every street is a canal. Yet not a single star has made a single "splash" either in the Lido or in the canals.

"The festival provides Golden Lion and Silver Lion awards for the best pictures and awards for best actor and actress."

"But sometimes when no films measure up to a certain standard, the Festival authorities just withhold the award."

Mention

Jeanette said, if "Education of Love" should bring back any award or even a mere mention in despatches, it would be considered a great encouragement to our movie industry."

Now a star of international magnitude, Jeanette was born of Cantonese parents in Shanghai in 1936.

She attended Ling Nan Middle School in Shanghai and St. Stephen's Girls' College in Hong Kong.

In seven years, she has appeared in 26 films of which the most popular are "Our Sister Betty," "Wedding Bells for Betty," "Too Young to Love," and "Spring Song."

She married Mr. Chuan Kim, 24, a movie writer, director and now manager of a movie company, in 1959.

He stands only five feet four. "So when he first went on set to direct a film, they called him 'kid,'" said Jeanette.

They have a 10-month-old boy, Caesar, who smiles whenever anyone aims a camera at him, and likes to lay his hands on any sort of machine.

"That signifies he is growing up to be either an actor or an engineer," said Jeanette.

At present, Jeanette is making "Till the End of Time." At home, "I'm busy with two kids—one big and one small."

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"Board or no Board", that is the question that has thrown the muscle man of the screen, Roy Chao Hung, into a quandary.

Roy is wanted for a leading role in "Fortitude of Life," the first film to be made by the Tungman Motion Picture and General Development Co. and starring the Pandana-Playhouse trained Agnes Wong.

And in the film he is required to look clean-shaven and handsome.

But on the other hand, MP & GI, Roy's employer under contract, has asked him to grow a beard ("no phoney stuff") for another film.

If the two films should start shooting at the same time, Roy will certainly have a serious problem on his hands.

I GO IN SEARCH OF HERR ULBRICHT

From MARK WILSON: Berlin

THE surprise invitation by the soft-voiced German girl calling me on the hotel telephone was too intriguing to refuse: "Would you come to the Eastern sector at 4.30?" she asked.

I told her I had flown into Western Berlin just an hour before and had been in the Hotel Kempinski long enough to unpack two ties and a handkerchief.

"What took you so long to make contact?" I asked. But the joke was wasted. She gave the address of an East German Ministry and a name to ask for, then abruptly ended the conversation.

Hearing about the strange call a West German showed no surprise. "I expect they know what you had for lunch by now," was all he said.

The green uniformed people's policeman at the Brandenburg gate checkpoint became most attentive when it was explained that I was entering East Berlin to keep an appointment with Herr Blecha.

He volunteered directions down Stalin Avenue... past Stalin's monument... The Ministry stood opposite a small open park with a grass-covered mound in the middle. "That," said my driver with obvious disinterest, "is the bomb shelter where Hitler died."

Promptly at 4.30 I checked in. Two large-framed photographs of the East German Communist leader decorated the walls of the reception room where my passport was scrutinised and used for filling in a special form.

What brings you? It won me an escort who after politely but firmly robbing me of the interpreter I had brought—"We have our own, why Brandt had no right to



Ulbricht

very good"—led me to Herr Blecha.

A thick set man in his early forties, Blecha sat at the head of a huge table and behind a battery of telephones that would put any Whitehall desk to shame.

"What brings you to Berlin, Master Wilson?" he asked by way of introduction. "You mean you don't know?" I replied but it was another joke wasted.

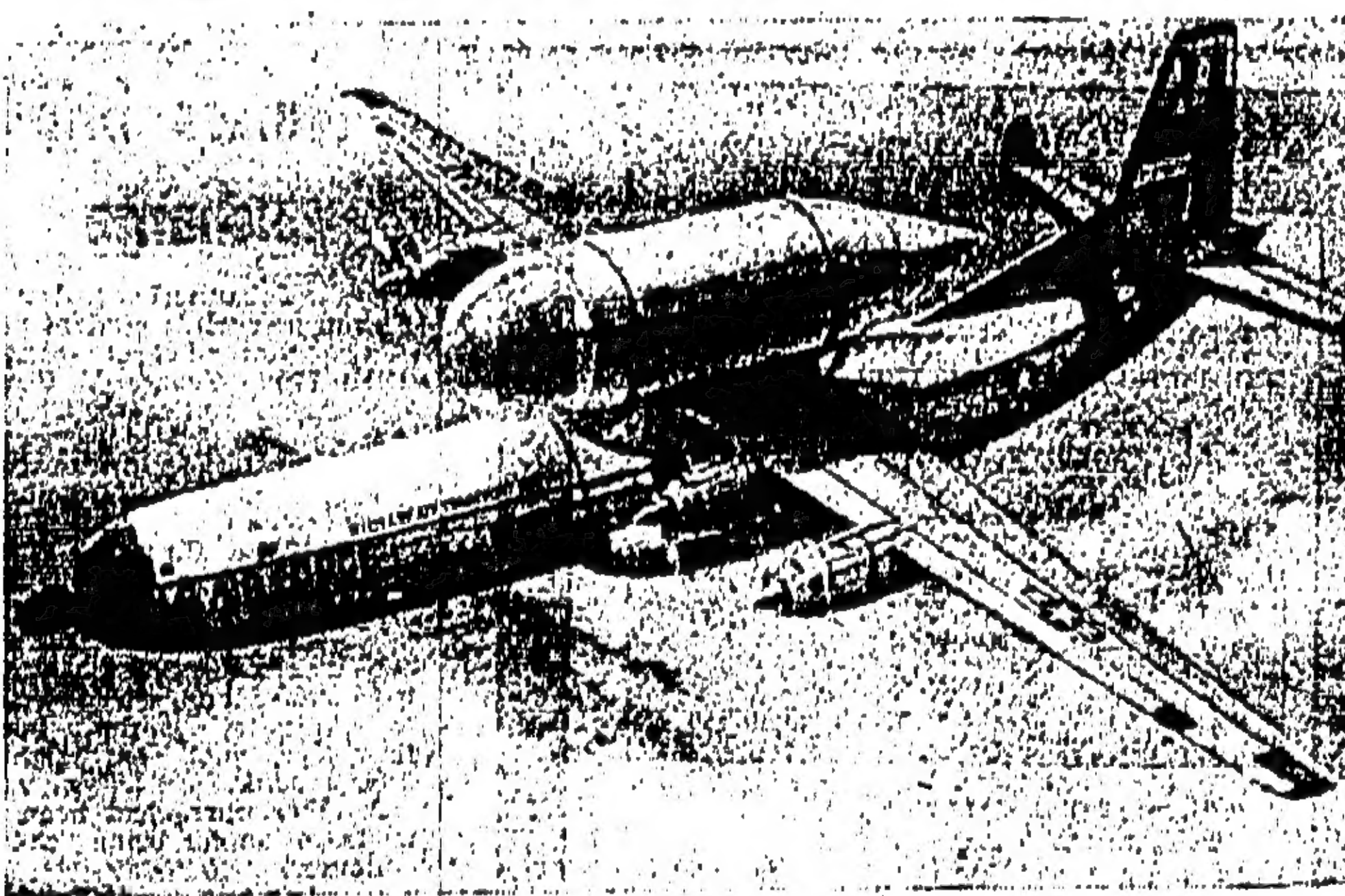
He countered with the offer of a Russian type cigarette and put his question again. I said that among other things I wanted to see Walter Ulbricht, Communist head of East Germany, about his refugee problem. And the other things?

Said Blecha: "Perhaps, perhaps. But you may have to come here for another interview first..."

He said he didn't think he would have any difficulty in finding me again. I'm sure he won't, not with that soft voice doing the searching, but I will want to know the rules of the game before I keep another date in East Berlin.

—(London Express Service).

THE PICK-A-BACK ROCKET



Latest idea being considered by American scientists to transport the heavy booster rockets, such as Dr. Werner von Braun's Saturn, needed to launch manned spacecraft of the future—carry them pick-a-back on a sturdy airplane.

At present the only practical way is to take them from factory, around the coast, to launching pads situated in remote parts.

The picture shows a U.S. Air Force C-133A Cargomaster in flight with an artist's impression of a Saturn rocket on its back.

Robot detective makes 'arrest'

IBM 1401 IS NEW CRIME FIGHTER
SCIENTISTS have turned the lightning-quick electronic computer into a powerful, new weapon to fight crime.

The "robot detective" has already made its first "arrest"—a gang specialising in street hold-ups.

Officially known as IBM 1401, it can carry details of the habits, fingerprints and methods of thousands of criminals in its "memory"—a neat stack of metal discs resembling gramophone records.

All this happens in seconds—compared with the hours needed to sort through police files in a criminal record office.

In Marylebone
Britain's first IBM 1401 has now been installed in a special centre at Newman-street, Marylebone—less than two miles from Scotland Yard. I understand it can be used by Yard detectives on request.

The first "robot detective" has had a dramatic success in the American city of St. Louis. The police department there was baffled by a series of daring robberies. By detectives fed into the computer every relevant detail about the crimes.

The robot pinpointed one particular neighbourhood as the next likely target. Police reinforcements were drafted into the area. When the gang pounced they were arrested.

Price: £60,000

A similar machine has just been ordered for Chicago, a traditional hunting ground for gangsters and racketeers. It will handle information from the city's daily crime sheets, arrest reports, traffic violations and store, pawnshop, gun and bicycle records as well as a "rogues gallery" of American crooks.

To buy the "robot detective" costs £60,000. A spokesman for International Business Machines told me: "The human brain can store more than a fraction of the information locked away inside the 1401's memory. New information about a crime is checked against every known criminal, the hazards of radiation would not be so serious for her."

"On a purely medical basis it would seem that a woman would be a more suitable candidate for being an astronaut than a man. It is only a question of a short time before both arrive in space. If both arrived at the same time, then indeed there would be equality of sexes."

say anything concerning Berlin. The woman shorthand writer nodded as she strained to keep pace. So did the escort who sat silently beside me.

Nazis....the 'market'
Blecha cooled and queried: "Are you for peace?" I said I was and he immediately announced us to the two onlookers as friends.

Then he really set to work. Had I any children? I couldn't quite see where this pattern was leading so I countered: "Yes, one. When can I see Ulbricht?" It bounced off.

"Then you will know how serious it is when I tell you that there is a polio epidemic in West Germany. For their good we have offered to supply them with Russian vaccine, but they have not bothered to reply. West German militarists are spending the lives of the children as part of the cost of the cold war."

For 90 minutes the questions came.

What does Britain think about German troops training in Wales? Do the people of Britain know that Nazis still command the German Army?

What about the Common Market? Do the British people want to be economically involved with West Germany? Does the West know the full extent of nuclear stockpiling going on across the border?

By this time I was beginning to feel that I should reply with only rank, name and number. But I stuck to: "When can I see Ulbricht?" Finally we called it checkmate.

Come again
Blecha ended it all with: "Remember and understand in East Germany everything is done for the good of the people." I muttered a faint, "Am I going to see Ulbricht?"

Said Blecha: "Perhaps, perhaps. But you may have to come here for another interview first..."

He said he didn't think he would have any difficulty in finding me again. I'm sure he won't, not with that soft voice doing the searching, but I will want to know the rules of the game before I keep another date in East Berlin.

—(London Express Service).

Time is important in these days of speedy travel when a criminal can reach another country in a matter of hours.

WOMEN BEST ASTRONAUTS

QUOTE from the journal of the Chest and Heart Association: "For physiological reasons, under conditions of extreme acceleration and deceleration as would be experienced on a rocket flight to the moon, a woman stands up to conditions better than a man."

"She is less liable to 'black-out' so quickly. Furthermore, if she is past the child-bearing age, the hazards of radiation would not be so serious for her."

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—(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

VERONICA PAPWORTH



The story I heard from a girl in a train

WE sat alone in a railway carriage, myself and a red-haired girl with a pony tail and purple lipstick.

Begging a light for her cigarette as a pretext for conversation, she seemed delighted—even eager—to talk.

She had come to London from Germany via Switzerland, I gathered. "But in Switzerland the Germans are like beasts—we work until we fall to the floor. We count as nothing."

England, it seemed, was a decided improvement. "At first was bad," she told me. "I was working for foreigners. Austrians! I walk out—go to the Church Army."

"You know this place the Church Army? Is for bad girls?"

"I am good. Next I take a job as pair. This lady is very soft and lazy. All English women are lazy."

"Then comes another man. He tells me: 'That first man, his club no good, my club better.' 'He has a car and I will come to see London?'"

"So I go for English 'honourable'. I eat in kitchen what is left and cold. No television and no one for talking. Was terrible."

The gay new look for bowling fans



A NEW look for a new sport—this bowling-alley outfit consists of loose-fitting striped sweater, white leather culottes, and vivid knee-length socks. The culottes, to be practical, come in black leather too. But the white ones are smashing. They cost 11 guineas.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

THERE is no problem in getting to six clubs if you can look at the North and South hands at the same time. When the hand dropped up in a California duplicate there were considerable problems involved.

South always opened one club and North jumped to three clubs. At a couple of tables South went right to four no-trump and when North showed his two aces South bid the club slam. If North had shown up with only one ace, South would also have bid the club slam but he would not have made it.

At other tables South bid three spades. North players went to three no-trump. Some

"Now I have a job with Americans. Five pounds each week, but all the time the man says: 'Kiss, kiss.'"

"I tell him no. I am a good girl. But he says it is nothing—just a little joke. I am not afraid. I have studied ju-jitsu. Easily I could break his arm."

"Once in Düsseldorf I was attacked. 'Was the man they have taken to hospital—not me?'"

Bad place

"London is bad place I think. I am sitting in a coffee bar and a man comes with a card. He has a nice club he says I must belong."

"I say thank you, no. 'Then comes another man. He tells me: 'That first man, his club no good, my club better.'"

"He has a car and I will come to see London?"

RONALD BELL MP IS SO RIGHT

MORNING school only for children of five is a thundering good idea. What is more, Mr Ronald Bell, MP, who suggested it in the House of Commons, is not the theorising old fuddy-duddy he has since been made out to be.

He is the father of four huge, blonde children under six years of age, and his wife copes with all four magnificently. Entirely on her own, too.

No party propaganda is intended (vice-president of the local Liberals, that's me) and the only time I meet Mrs Bell is as we dash in to collect our boys from the same school.

Andrew, her eldest, started, as did mine, attending nurseries only. He has now graduated to lunch at school and a day ending at 3.30—which some educationists would say is quite enough.

It is a matter of opinion. But what is rather sad is that ten-denners and mother love are out of date—likewise tranquillity.

Park your offspring at the nursery school door just as soon as they can totter there—that's the fashion. And park your

"I am wise. I give false telephone numbers. 'Now is better—I have a boy friend 'Old man—British passport.'"

"He is a sailor—sells things. 'Is this right? No, sales-man?'"

"Perhaps we marry, but I do not know if he has money. We go always to Battersea Fair and I must pay myself. He is putting his money in the bank, I wonder?"

"One thing I tell you I will never, never go back to Düsseldorf."

She was travelling to interview a prospective employer. She said: "Is a job with little children."

I asked if she loved children and she shrugged her shoulders. "Six pounds ten each week. For this I can love."

She was, she told me, nearly 19 years old.

That's all

responsibilities with them. Let them express themselves clashing symbols or banging drums, and train for the future hammering square pegs into round holes.

Keep them busy... keep them entertained—that's the cry. Perish the thought that they should learn to be happy alone.

Letting a child be fallow never did it a hop'orth of harm.

Giving it a quiet time to read and encouraging a sense of wonder takes a mother's time—that's all.

Nevertheless, it's worth considering that we might not have so many damn restless juveniles incapable of existing without the constant jangling of a transistor radio, or so many precocious teenagers dashing off to get married before they are even dry behind the ears, if we slowed down this early-age forcing.

Black goes on for ever

THAT ebullient little genius Miki Seekers has been showing me the fabrics picked from his collection by the Paris designers.

Very much in demand are his chiffons woven with a shimmer in every fold.

The secret is a warp in glitter-nylon and a wet of pure silk.

New too is a brocade inspired by an out-of-focus photograph of something like a million rose petals.

The result—shading in tones from rose through gold to palest yellow—is quite, quite beautiful.

The same design woven in gold and silver makes a light-on-air lure that looks like being the highlight of the Nina Ricci show.

Chosen by almost every House are all the green tones—not the sad, off-beat greens of last winter, but clear sharp colours ranging from a true "lettuce" through vivid Irish green to a dark glowing emerald.

Green will undoubtedly be the No. 1 autumn colour.

"But the big business lies in our fine blacks," said Miki. "Naturally enough! A woman buying a dress from the French couturiers may well see something marvellous in cerise, but if she is wise she'll order her own in black."

"Cerise she may wear half a dozen times. A little black dress from Balenciaga goes on for ever."

London Express Service.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Mr. Punch Remembers

—He Tells Shadows About A Scarecrow He Knew—

By MAX TRELL

"Of course," Mr Punch was saying to Knarf and Hanid, the Shadow Children with the Turned-About Names, "there are plenty of things that I used to see when I was a boy that you hardly ever see any more."

Mr Punch puffed out a whole chain of rings from his pipe. He stretched himself out comfortably in his creaky, old-fashioned rocking chair.

"For instance, scarecrows," he said.

Never saw one

Knarf and Hanid said they had never seen a scarecrow. "I don't wonder," Mr Punch said, nodding his head. "They've almost all disappeared. But when I was a boy, you could walk down any road in the country and see a scarecrow in every cornfield."

"I saw a picture of a scarecrow, Mr Punch, dear," said Hanid. "He was wearing an old coat, and the sleeves were stuffed with straw. And he had on a big, torn straw hat. He was stuck on a pole in the middle of the cornfield, and there was a black crow sitting on his shoulder."

Mr Punch smiled. "That sounds right," he said. "Knarf's puzzled"

"But, Mr Punch," said Knarf, "aren't scarecrows supposed to scare crows? I mean, aren't they supposed to scare the crows so that the crows won't eat the corn?"

"You're right, my boy—the one and only job that a scarecrow has to do is to scare crows and keep them from eating the farmer's corn," agreed Mr Punch. "But most scarecrows are friendly sorts of things. They don't like scaring anybody, not even crows."

Mr Punch took another puff at his pipe and settled himself down again in his creaky old rocking chair.

"Now when I was a boy, I used to live on a farm," he said.

"And all summer long I would walk out to the cornfield every morning and say, 'Good-day, how-are-you?' to Jack Straw, which was the name I gave to our scarecrow."

"Of course," Mr Punch continued. "Jack was very good-natured. He didn't mind a bit if the crows in the neighbourhood helped themselves now and then to some of the corn. I guess he thought there was plenty of corn for everybody, and crows have to eat, too, so why not let them share with the farmer?"

"Well, old good-natured Jack Straw may have thought it was a good idea to share the farmer's corn with the neighbourhood crows, but the farmer didn't think that was such a good idea at all."

"In fact," thought it was the worst idea he had ever heard of, and what did he do but go out into that cornfield and take poor Jack off the pole and scatter him to the winds?"

Knarf and Hanid exclaimed in alarm.

Hanid feels sorry

"How did he do that, Mr Punch?" asked Knarf. "How could he scatter Jack Straw to the winds?"

"It was easy," replied Mr Punch. "He shook all the straw out of Jack. The wind came along and blew the straw away. Then there just wasn't any Jack left. There was just an empty old coat, and a torn straw hat. Jack was gone.... gone with the wind."

"Oh dear," said Hanid, really feeling sorry for Jack Straw even though she had never seen him, "and what did the crows think? Were they angry? Were they sad? Were they glad? Did they miss Jack Straw?"

"Oh, you can be sure they missed him, and they were angry about it, too," Mr Punch said.

"The farmer took to sitting on the fence at the edge of the cornfield waving a big stick with a rag at the end of it, and the crows kept flying over his head."



There was Jack Straw, with crows all around him.

head-calling out in their hoarse voices: 'Straw - straw - straw!' though the farmer thought they were saying: 'Caw-caw-caw,' which is what crows usually say."

Went to sleep

"Finally," said Mr Punch the farmer went home to sleep, for night was coming on and he was tired from sitting all day on the fence waving that stick. And when he came back to the cornfield the next morning, what do you suppose he saw?"

Knarf and Hanid both asked exactly what the farmer saw. "He saw," announced Mr Punch with a smile, "he saw Jack Straw standing on his pole in the middle of the cornfield again!"

"But how could that be?" Hanid asked. "Aren't he scattered to the winds?"

Mr Punch nodded. "He was, indeed."

"Then how did he get put together again?" asked Knarf.

Only crows know

"Only the crows know that!" said Mr Punch. "But they would never tell anybody how they did it. They just flew all around the angry farmer, crying: 'Haw-haw-haw!' and the farmer kept on thinking that they were only saying, as they always did: 'Caw-caw-caw.'"

And Mr Punch chuckled, and puffed on his pipe, and rocked in his creaky old-fashioned rocking chair, and dreamed again of the day when he was a boy.

LADY LUCK

your CHINA MAIL horoscope

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Although you are not easily roused to anger, you are likely to have ample provocation today.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): It will be up to you to make the final decision in a matter of importance to the future of your family.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Try to be gracious for your partner's sake when entertaining a former rival.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't let flattery go to your head, no matter how pleasant it is to hear.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Your aesthetic tastes are of such a high order that you are not likely to find many people who share them.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): The satisfaction derived from your personal efforts will be denied you if you rely too much on outside help.

LEO (July 22-August 21): You will have to be very diplomatic to avoid antagonising either of two associates who ask you to act as their arbiter.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): A new friend may make excessive demands on your time, but you must not forget your older loyalties.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): Rely on your common sense and usual good luck, and don't hesitate to make a hasty decision today.

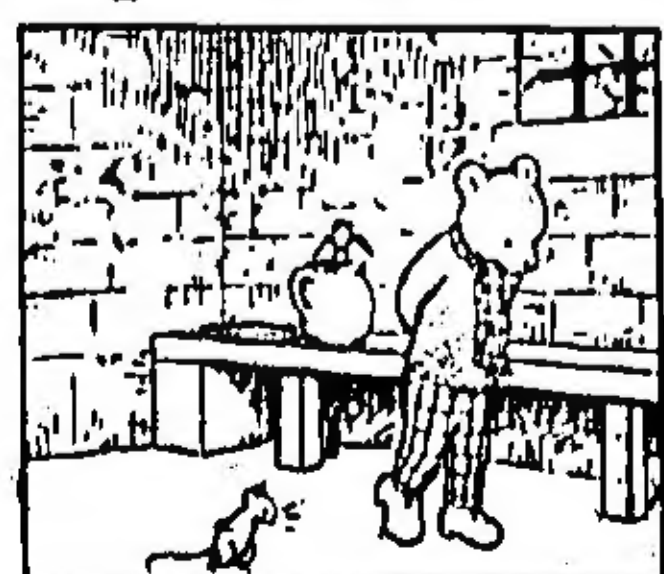
SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Your partner will value your affection more highly if you avoid displaying it too freely in public.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): It would be a mistake to obey a sudden impulse to make an alteration in your routine today.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): If you want to avoid jealousy on the part of your colleagues, keep quiet about your proposed increase in salary.

YOUR LUCKY CARD: If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the ACE of SPADES.

Rupert and the Rugger Match—32



The tiny birds look very concerned at Rupert's story. "You've had bad luck," says one of them, "but you should have known better than to contradict a king! Now the question is, how are we going to get you out?" They fall silent while Rupert and the



mice walk up and down deep in thought. All at once two of the birds take to the air. "We've had an idea," they squeak. "If that thing is an egg it could be hatched. Shall we suggest to the King that he gives it to our giant hen?"

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CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West 1♥ Pass 2♠ Pass 2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass 5♥ Pass 7

You, South, hold: ♠A5 ♥K4 ♣AQ1082 ♣KJ74 What do you do?

A—Bid six hearts! Your four heart bid has already limited your hand and you must take strong action now.

TODAY'S QUESTION Again you have responded two diamonds to your partner's opening heart and he has rebid to two hearts. This time you hold:

♠K54 ♥2 ♣AQ1082 ♣QJ76 What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

South players passed and North went down one against either a heart or a diamond lead.

Other South players went on to four spades whereupon North would bid five clubs only.

Only one pair found what I think is the right way to bid the hand. That bidding is shown in the box. South's jump to four spades shows a big two suiter. North can count on his red aces to take care of any losers in those suits.

Thus, he is willing to play six clubs if South has one ace and hence can afford to use Blackwood without any worries.

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LAWN BOWLS FIXTURES

The following lawn bowls fixtures have been announced by the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association:

COLONY OPEN TRIPLES

(Semi-finals)
To be played on Sunday, Aug. 13, starting at 4 pm.
At PRC: W. M. Sougan, L. M. Sougan and M. Q. Wong (CCC) vs L. A. Rozario, M. A. Hapthist and C. C. Ma (CCC).
At Recreation: A. C. S. S. Gough, R. S. Gough and W. M. Davidson (KDC) vs F. R. Kermani, P. Hughes and E. J. Liddell (KDCG).

OPEN SINGLES

(Semi-finals)
To be played on Tuesday, August 15, starting at 5.30 pm.
At Recreation: D. C. Symons (KCC) vs E. J. Liddell (KDCG) or A. W. Lapsley (KDC); A. G. Skerch (KDC) vs S. Y. Doe (KCC) or G. A. Souza (CCC).

OPEN SINGLES

(Final)
To be played on Sunday, August 20, starting at 4 pm.
At Taitok: B. J. Stevens, R. Russell, D. J. Hung and F. W. Hollands (PRC) vs R. G. Laurel, A. M. Omar, F. R. Kermani and G. A. Souza (CCC).

GUTIERREZ SHIELD

(Second round)
To be played on Wednesday, Aug. 16, starting at 5.30 pm.
At HKCC: Australia vs India, KBCG, Portugal vs Ireland; Hongkong vs China, or HKCC: Malaya vs Wales or HKCC.

Asian Baseball Championship

Tokyo, Aug. 9.
The Asian Baseball League Committee announced today it has decided to hold the Fourth Asian Baseball Championship in Taipei from January 1 to 7 next year.
The Committee said the Philippines, Nationalist China, South Korea and Japan will take part in the Championships. The winner will be decided on a double round-robin basis.
The Committee, composed of the four nations, also decided to restrict the number of participants from each country to 22 members including three officials and a referee.—AP.

Despite failure to take any points from drawn match against Kent

MIDDLESEX, YORKSHIRE SECOND AND THIRD

London, Aug. 8.
There were no changes at the top of the English County Cricket Championship table after the holiday matches ended today. Only one of the three leading challengers, Yorkshire, gained any points, but they stay in third place behind Hampshire and Middlesex.

There was no play today in the "Boscs" battle between Yorkshire and Lancashire and Yorkshire had to be content with the four points gained from the first innings.
Hampshire, the current leaders, struggled all day against Kent. First they saw Kent, led by England batsman Colin Cowdrey, pass their first-innings total comfortably, and when they batted a second time they were dismissed for 165.

Cowdrey's 156

Cowdrey, 95 not out overnight, carried his score to 156 before he was out. His innings lasted over five hours and included a six and 22 fours.
Middlesex came in for a pre-lunch hammering from Sussex batsman Leslie Lenham, who reached his century in 113 minutes.

Lenham, who was 102 not out when Sussex declared, hit a six and 12 fours and with Ken Suttle put on 100 in 62 minutes for the second wicket.
Middlesex, set to get 275 runs in 170 minutes for victory, lost their first three wickets to England all-rounder Ted Dexter in 12 deliveries, but the later batsmen played soundly and the game ended in a draw.

First win

Surrey scored their first Championship win of the season on their own ground, beating Nottinghamshire by 134 runs.
England batsman Ken Barrington hit a fine 95 for Surrey to bring his match aggregate to 258.
Somerset beat Gloucestershire by 85 runs when they claimed the last Gloucestershire wicket with the fifth ball of the last over of the match.

Earlier in the day Australian Bill Alley and Indian Test player Abhis Ali Bala had added 130 in 110 minutes for the Somerset third wicket.

Results

Results of today's cricket matches were:
At Sheffield: Match abandoned because of rain, Lancashire 173 and one for no wicket, Yorkshire 174 for eight declared.
Yorkshire four points.

At Derby: Match abandoned because of rain, Derbyshire 270 for six declared and four for no wicket, Northamptonshire 187. Derbyshire four points.
At Hove: Match drawn. Sussex 288, for seven declared and 235 for two declared (A. Oakman 59, J. Lenham 102 not out, K. Suttle 40 not out). Middlesex 249 for nine declared and 178 for six (F. Timmus 43). Sussex four points.

At the Oval: Surrey beat Nottinghamshire by 134 runs. Surrey 301 for seven declared and 210 for eight declared (K. Barrington 85). Nottinghamshire 205 and 172 (N. Hill 50). Surrey 14 points.

At Leyton: Worcestershire beat Essex by five wickets. Essex 260 and 128. Worcestershire 160 and 232 for five (R. Fendley 40, D. Richardson 72). Worcestershire 12 points, Essex four points.

At Edgbaston: Warwickshire beat Leicestershire by two wickets. Leicestershire 248 and 235 for seven declared (G. Kirby 70). Warwickshire 101 and 222 for eight (J. Kennedy 46, Stewart 47, J. Van Geloven six for 85). Warwickshire 12 points, Leicestershire four points.
At Bristol: Somerset beat Gloucestershire by 85 runs. Somerset 255 and 224 for three

declared, (W. Alley 84, A. Bala 82 not out). Gloucestershire 177 and 217 (D. Carpenter 52, K. Palmer five for 49). Somerset 14 points.

At Canterbury: Match drawn. Hampshire 300 for six declared and 165, Kent 309 (C. Cowdrey 156, A. Dixon 62). Kent two points, Hampshire two points.

CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

Team	P	W	L	DND	MS	Av.
Hampshire	25	13	5	0	302	6.06
Middlesex	22	13	4	4	174	7.90
Yorkshire	22	13	3	0	188	8.52
Worcestershire	24	11	7	4	109	6.60
Sussex	24	8	8	0	144	6.00
Essex	22	8	8	0	132	5.50
Gloucestershire	22	8	9	1	118	5.36
Warwick	20	9	0	0	138	5.20
Derby	22	7	7	0	108	4.90
Leicester	22	10	5	1	106	4.81
Somerset	22	9	10	0	136	5.04
Glamorgan	22	9	9	0	100	4.54
Lancashire	24	9	0	1	98	4.08
Surrey	22	9	10	0	102	4.63
Nottingham	23	10	4	0	102	4.43
Northants	22	3	12	7	0	0

Beryl Burton loses world cycling title

Douglas, Aug. 8.
Yvonne Reijnders of Belgium won the Women's World Pursuit Cycling Championship here tonight, beating the holder, Beryl Burton (Britain), in the final.

The defending champion, Galina Ermolaeva (Soviet Union), beat Valentina Panfilova (Soviet Union) in two straight races in the final of the Sprint Championship.

Pursuit Championship (2,830 metres) Final: Y. Reijnders (Belgium), 4 mins 0.7 secs, beat B. Burton (Britain), 4 mins 0.8 secs.

Sprint Final: Race 1—G. Ermolaeva (Soviet Union), holder, beat V. Panfilova (Soviet Union) time for last 200 metres 14.0 secs. Race 2—Ermolaeva beat Panfilova, last 200 metres 14.5 secs.—Reuters.

International tennis wins for Ceylon and Thailand

Ipo, Aug. 8.
Thailand beat Malaya by two matches to one and Ceylon beat Singapore by three matches to nil in the six-nation International Tennis Tournament which opened here tonight.
Thailand will meet the Philippines in a semi-final tie tomorrow while Ceylon will meet Japan.
Both the matches tonight saw easy victories for the visitors.—Reuters.

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Fastest woman half-miler



Mrs. Joy Jordan, the world-record-holder for the women's half-mile, pounds her way round the White City track, London, to a clear victory in the half-mile event, during the recent Great Britain and Northern Ireland versus America athletics match. Mrs. Jordan led all the way, and clocked 2 minutes 8.6 seconds. A. Oliver of Great Britain was second, the American pair Daniels and Shepherd coming third and fourth.

The British girls re-compensated for the defeat of the men—by 122 points to 88—by beating the American girls 56 points to 50.—COL photo.

Australians draw with Glamorgan

Swansea, Aug. 8.
A heavy shower brought play to an abrupt end in mid-afternoon here today with Glamorgan fighting hard against the Australian bowlers.

The county, set to make 300 in 280 minutes to win, were 124 for two when the stoppage came. They had fallen well behind the clock and were probably grateful to settle for a draw.

The left-handed opener Alan Jones was undefeated with 70 when the rain came, having hit one six and 11 fours, mostly from on-drives and well-timed hooks.

Third wicket stand

He and Peter Walker had put on 78 in an unbroken third wicket stand after Glamorgan had lost Bernard Hodges at 32 and Alan Rees at 46.

Both wickets fell to the left-arm slow bowler Ian Quick in 12.2 overs at a cost of 28 runs.

Jones hooked Ron Gaunt's first ball for a six when the innings began and it seemed as if Glamorgan might be going for the runs.

But after this bright start the batsmen played defensively and the arrival of rain was the final disappointment after the fine cricket of Saturday and Monday.

Earlier the Australians had batted on for half an hour in the morning. Richie Benaud hitting all the 25 runs added to finish 80 not out when he declared at 282 for four.—Reuters.

£40,000 IN THE RED—BUT THE AIM IS PROMOTION

Pompey plan battle back from disaster

By JAMES CONNOLLY

London.
In three brief, disastrous seasons, once-mighty Portsmouth have slumped from the glories of the First Division to the uncertainty of Division III. What is the future? Can their new boss, George Smith, the former Crystal Palace manager, shoot them back to the top?
Remember that only 11 years ago Pompey were League champions for the second successive season.

Then they were a club with money to burn. Now they are struggling for existence, more than £40,000 in the red.

Remember too that only three seasons ago Portsmouth could proudly boast that they had never been relegated. Now that is just a memory.
Recently as Portsmouth's 30 players—24 full-timers and six apprentices—reported for training, there was steadily mounting optimism in boardroom, dressing-room, and the town itself.

Challenge

George Smith, 45-year-old ex-Army P.T. sergeant major, is as fit as any of his players.
He revels in the challenge. Knowing that another old soldier, Field-Marshal Lord Montgomery, the club's president, is looking over his shoulder.

Six-footer Smith has the cockney humour that lightens the load without relaxing the discipline.
"I cannot guarantee anything except that I will make them as fit as fighting cocks," he told me, "but after that everything depends on the players. Whether we recapture former glories rests on their ability and their effort."

"Football needs the same dedication that Herb Elliott showed in his sub-four-minute miling."

To George Smith, unwavering in the execution of his ideas, his natural bluntness has frequently proved costly. When he has not been allowed to coach his way, he has resigned.
In 1949, the season after he skipped P.R.E. to promotion, assistant manager and coach to Ipswich.

Things did not run too smoothly for blunt, outspoken George. He resigned his appointments, and planned to stay as an Ipswich player.

But Ipswich's directors fired him because they alleged he had

made an unauthorized statement to the Press and had refused to play for the "A" team. Smith protested that he was unfit.

His appeal to the Football League was dismissed, and he left the club.

His target

Then followed spells with Eastbourne United, Sutton United, and Sheffield United, before he became Crystal Palace boss in 1958.

He started the Selhurst revival and set himself a "promotion to Division Three in two years" target. During his second season he said, in a newspaper interview, that if Palace did not go up he would resign.

Palace failed, and he kept his word.

From Selhurst, Smith went back to Sheffield United where Johnny Harris, the former Chelsea centre half, was manager.

It looked like the perfect combination. Sheffield United soared back into the First Division and everyone thought George Smith was settled at last.

So he was until the offer came from Portsmouth last season. He saw his team for the last four weeks of a catastrophic season. He still thinks they were unlucky to go down.

The only new players for Pompey this season are goalkeeper Peter Shearing (free transfer from West Ham) and Harry Middleton, a centre-forward from Scunthorpe in an exchange for Ron Howells.

Portsmouth will almost certainly start off with two veteran wing halves. Allan Brown (34) and Jimmy Dickinson (30).

Objective

Are they too old for the job? "Of course not," snapped the Pompey manager. "They can give the team an awful lot of know-how. We can adjust our plan to them. Their example off-field is worth almost as much as their ability in a game."

Nor does Brown himself feel that the years are too many. "Training has never worried me. It is, perhaps, a little harder now, but I don't mind that effort."

"Once I lose the zest for training I shall know that I am on the shelf. I have never been happier in my football than right now."

"There is method in everything we do here at Portsmouth. The training is objective, the spirit is good. I feel that we will go right back into the Second Division."

Brown, one of Soccer's fittest men—he has, as usual, been training solo throughout the summer months—is not alone in his optimism.

You can feel it among the players as they go through the circuit training at Eastney which includes sprinting, gymnastics, hurdling, physical exercises, and a great deal of other solid sloggng.

The rebel

On one 80-yard circuit, for instance, the players carry a haversack loaded with 30lb of sand on their shoulders. There is hard work but certainly no monotony.

As we watched the work-out George Smith said to me: "I honestly believe that my ideas are progressive, and I want to do things that are good for the game. Very often in trying them I have run into trouble."

"I recognise that over the years I have been regarded as a rebel. But I don't rebel just for the sake of it."

"I have been out of work, I have been a commercial traveller, but even out of the game I never lost my love for Soccer."

Smith is not the type to be worried into ulcers. He knows that he has a gigantic task, that there is nothing to spare for

transfers at the moment, but he has still succeeded in boosting the confidence of his staff.

"I believe we have a chance," he said. "Now I have got to tickle the ego of the players. I have to improve their playing application by 30 or 40 per cent."

"Football is a game of habit. My job is to instill the right habits and unify the individual ability into team effort."

"Portsmouth should be in the First Division. With dedication we can get back."

London Express Service.

John Caldwell to fight French boxer

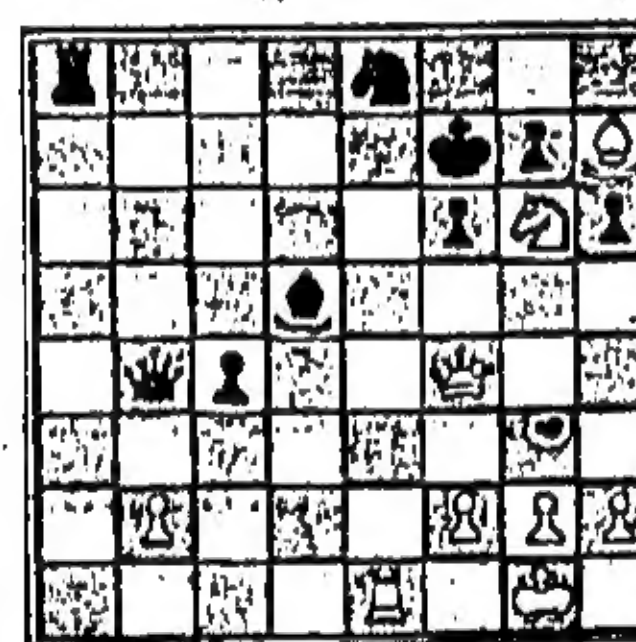
London, Aug. 8.
John Caldwell, the British holder of the European version of the world bantamweight boxing championship, today agreed to meet Frenchman Pierre Veltrop in a non-title 10-round bout at Carnarthen, Wales, on Aug. 28.

Caldwell will fight again at Cardiff, Wales, on Sept. 4 and then probably will defend his title in a return bout against Frenchman Alphonse Halimi in London, on Oct. 31.

Promoter Jack Solomons said: "If Caldwell comes through these tests successfully there is a strong prospect of him meeting Brazilian Eder Jofre for the full world title. Jofre holds the other part of the world title.—AP."

CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a position from actual play, in which White has just moved his king's knight to c3, and draw. How could he instead have won?

Solution No. 6078: 1 R-B4 (waiting), Kt-K3; 2 Q-R2, or 2... Kt-B5; 3 Q-Q4, or 3... Kt-B5; 4 R-B4, or 4... R-B7. Not 1 R-B5! Kt-P1.
London Express Service

Sports Diary

TODAY

Gutierrez vs. International Tournament: Wales v England at HKCC; Portugal v Ireland at HKCC; Malaya v Philippines and Pakistan v Scotland at HKCC; India v Holland at PRC. All matches at 8.20 pm.

Ladies' Open: Paris 1st round matches at HKCC, Recolet, HKCC, HKCC, 8.30 pm.

SOCCER
Merdeka Tournament: Thailand v Indonesia; Malaya v India at Kuala Lumpur.

TOMORROW
SOCCER
Merdeka Tournament: Hongkong v Singapore; Vietnam v Japan at Kuala Lumpur.

Colony Men's Singles: Quarter final matches at HKCC, HKCC, HKCC, HKCC, 8.30 pm.

GOAL
Dodge Competition, Division 1. Medal Competition Division 2. Meeting. Chinese Football Association at CAA Building, 8 pm.

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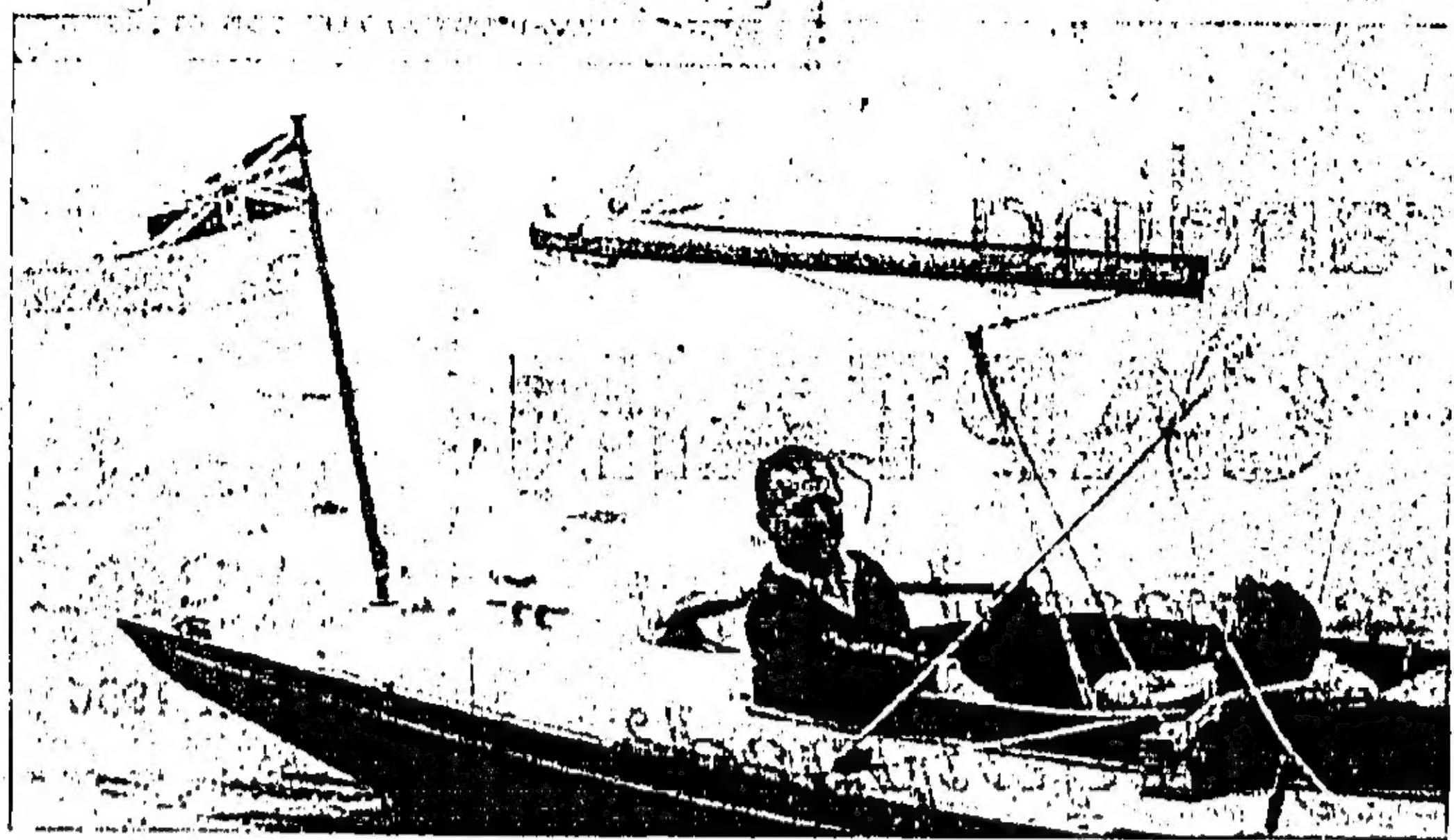
THE GAMBOLS . . . by Barry Appleby



HOT WATER



SPORTS PICTORIAL



ABOVE: Prince Philip at the helm of "Bluebottle", with Uffa Fox as crew-man. Competing in the Dragon class race at Cowes last week, they finished seventh, in a fleet of 26 boats, seven and a half minutes behind the winner.—London Express photo.

BELOW: Teamwork has produced the famous British Hawker Hunter aircraft, and members of the firm carry their co-operation onto the sports field too—W. Millard (left) and J. Fry of the 100 stone tug-of-war team dig their toes in while successfully defending their Amateur Athletics Association title at the White City stadium, London recently.—COI photo.



"Hurray, the soccer season is back with us again". That's what these Tottenham Hotspur first and second team footballers seem to say as they begin training at Cheshunt.—Keystone photo.



AT 52 AND STILL IN LONG PANTS — Those long trousers are now his one claim to fame. So he says. But the face should be more familiar.

Yes, it's Fred Perry, the last Briton to win the men's singles championship at Wimbledon. Now he's 52—and about as fit a 52 as you could find anywhere. That's what were saying at Eastbourne recently, where Perry was playing in the Slazenger Professional Tournament.

This is how Perry explains his fashion fancy: "As a matter of fact, I've never worn short pants in my life. The nearest I ever got was once when we played in South America. My pants split at the knee, and we had to cut them into shorts."

FAMOUS SPORTS STARS

'Second Compton' tag is not fair on Peter Parfitt

By ARCHIE QUICK

The worst disservice that can be done to a sportsman is to compare him with an illustrious predecessor. The tag of "A Second Denis Compton" is being pinned, for instance, on twenty-four-year-old Peter Parfitt, the Middlesex all-rounder, and nothing could be more disturbing to his future career.

Let us take it as read that a left-hand batsman and a medium right-arm bowler above the average, but let us leave it at that until he makes good.

Parfitt at the moment resembles the incomparable Compton only so far as he bats No 4 in the Middlesex eleven. He does not employ the seven shot (which is very sensible of him), he does not advance on the bowlers and attack them with the same frequency as Denis. He is not so wristy and, definitely, he is not so unorthodox. He uses the shot in the text book. Compton had a repertoire of his own.

Brilliant fielder

There was great potential in the seventy runs Parfitt got against the high-riding Hampshire seam attack of Shackleton, White and Heath, at Portsmouth, and he is a brilliant fieldman, both close in and in the deep. Again he is not like Compton! For the Master was not the greatest of "pickers-up" despite his being an athletic footballer. The cranny Parfitt, among the group asked about the possibility of touring India, Pakistan and Ceylon this winter, is

Two international leaders

With the appointment of Nat Lofthouse as assistant trainer, Bolton Wanderers now have two former England centre-forwards on their staff. The other is chief coach George Hunt, the ex-Tottenham star. —Barnes Service.

Norfolk "Dumpling" and a discovery of Bill Edrich's. Archie Fowler, who was for so long head coach at Leyton, is succeeding "Patsy" Henderson as scorer, told me at Portsmouth: "I would place Parfitt and Bob Gale as our two best young batting prospects, with the Russells, Ted Clark and Ron Harker next in that order. Bill Edrich got Peter for us; he does not miss much that is going on in Norfolk."

Parfitt, who strokes a ball elegantly and is a good off-side player, has just passed his 1,500 runs for the season, and that is his biggest aggregate. What is more, his average puts him up among the county leaders.

"It is damned silly to mention me in the same breath as Compton," he said to me in a genuinely aggrieved tone, "and I wish the critics would stop it. It can't do me any good, for I can't expect for one moment to live up to it. And I wish they would not call me an all-rounder. I haven't taken fifty first-class wickets yet!"

Footballer

Peter has completed his National Service with the Royal Air Force, and his highest score was, in fact, for the Combined Services against Warwickshire at Edgbaston—115. He has played football for Norwich City as an amateur, and I believe he is being persuaded to turn out for Finchley this winter if he does not go on the MCC tour. Could it be a coincidence that his cricket captain, Ian Bedford, is a Finchley footballer?

Four D. Jones

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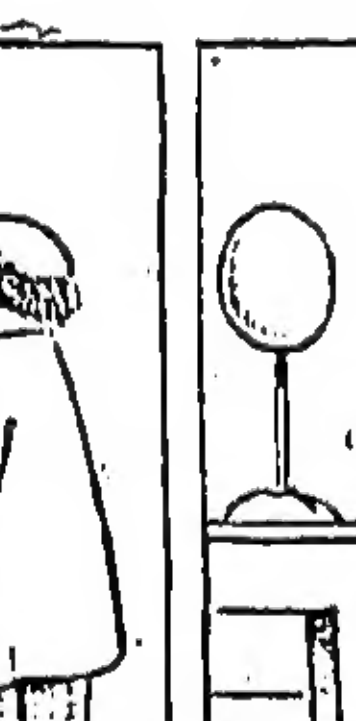
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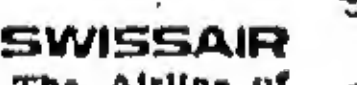
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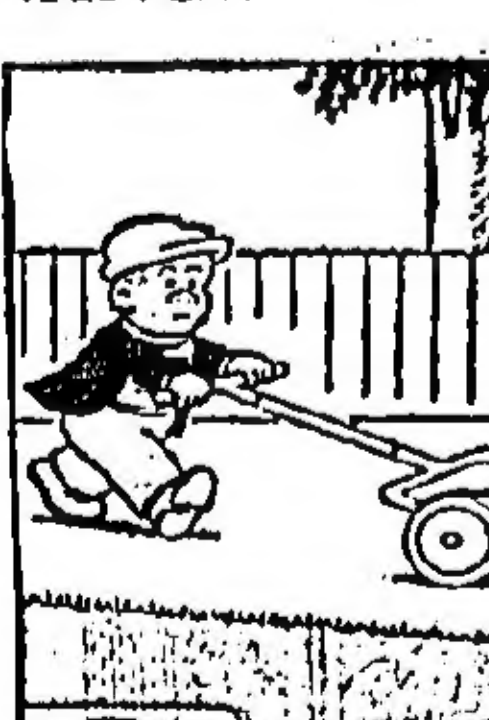
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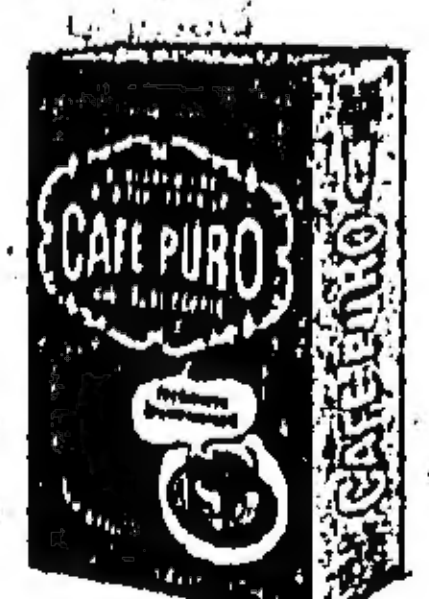


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NOW GOING TO MEET CHOU EN-LAI

Globetrotter Ajala travels by scooter

By T. S. KOO

A Nigerian globetrotter who travels on a scooter arrived this morning in Hongkong—the 76th country he has visited during the past four years.

Mashed Olabisi Ajala, a psychologist with a Master's degree, has covered 95,000 miles, and has come out two scooters—one in Russia and the other in the Congo.

Yet he has plans to travel for three more years before he settles down on the Spanish island of Majorca to write about his journeys and the people.

The next country he will visit is China, and will stop in Peking for an interview with Premier Chou En-lai.

It took him nine months to obtain a visa to China, he said. He applied for it while he was in London in 1957, and got it in the Chinese Embassy in Warsaw the following year.

While he was in New Delhi, his visa to China was renewed

by the Chinese Ambassador who reassured him that arrangements have been made for a meeting with the Chinese Premier.

He wants to visit China because he has not seen the country and met the people. He had an audience with Mr. Nehru, and learned of the conflict between India and China over the border dispute.

Ajala said he is "non-political," and is on "psychological research" in his world tour. But he would also like to act as an "Ambassador for Peace," and when he meets Mr. Chou, he would say something like, "What is the use of quarrelling with your neighbours," he said. He personally thinks the balance of world peace lies in



Ajala in Hongkong.



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Dear Sir Wyndham-St waits

Mr David Taylor will be reassured to know that action was already being taken in regard to the boys photographed in "A new day dawn" before the picture appeared in the China Mail.

Thanks to the British Red Cross who came to the immediate rescue when they heard of the boys sleeping in the street, one boy is already being vetted for entry in the Hong-kong Sea School. Another three, who are brothers, are being helped through Family Welfare.

As soon as little street urchins who appear in Wyndham-street are helped or sent to the Juvenile Care Centre, fresh youngsters arrive, appearing to be organised into groups for begging, opening car doors and chasing off any intruders.

I had my pocket picked by one little regularly while queuing on him, saying he had picked the wrong victim. Anyway I had the satisfaction later of seeing that the destitute family owning the child had set up a tiny squatter food stall within a few days. So the \$78 did not go badly astray. And I have made another little friend.

The British Red Cross went straight into action. Not only were the young people helped but also old men among the sedan chair carriers and rickshaw men.

Keen young men came from Social Welfare Department of Government and surveyed cases of need.

Food parcels are being given out regularly while questions of entry into suitable homes are being examined. It is only fair to the British Red Cross and Government that David Taylor should add a rider, when asking for sending this specific photograph to England. Then people at home will know something is attempted, in coping with our ever-present problem.

Perhaps he should also send a report to Taiwan and ask why so many good Nationalist soldiers are being left at Kien's Mill when they could be resettled in the much larger and verdant island of Formosa?

WYNDHAM ST. WORKER

ECLIPSES

There will be an annular eclipse of the sun on Friday.

The eclipse will be visible in South America, South Africa and the Antarctic, but will not be visible in Hongkong.

On Aug. 20, there will be a partial eclipse of the moon, but again it will not be visible in Hongkong but will be visible in West Asia, Africa, Europe and the Americas.

FREED BY KRUSCHEV

Learning of Ajala's real intention, Mr. Kruschev ordered him freed — and also granted him a visa to visit Russia and Moscow.

After spending two weeks in Hongkong, he will cross the border on a scooter to China. He will spend one month in the mainland where he will study educational progress and social activities.

From China, he will proceed to outer Mongolia and tour the southern part of Russia before returning to Hongkong by similar route. He will then visit Australia, New Zealand and South America.

He went to the United States in 1948 to study in Illinois on a Baptist missionary scholarship. He later joined Columbia University in New York where he obtained his Master's degree in psychology.

In his present extensive tour, he is collecting material for his Doctorate at Columbia University.

Ajala pays his own way throughout his tour. He said he earned his money by writing articles for newspapers, washing dishes in America, working in a collective farm in Russia, in a railway station as a porter in London, taking parts in movies in Hollywood—just all sorts of work.

Sickness never bothers Ajala, who was at one time a feather-weight boxing champion.

Petrol problem? "When I run out of petrol on the road, just stay there waiting for a car to pass by and ask the driver to spare me some," he said.

He came by the British liner Sangola from Japan with his third Italian-made scooter which he hopes to keep this going on the tour to China and Russia.

Where next? "Outer space maybe," he said.



Nehru tries his scooter.

Also says vessel 'not adequately equipped'

Mr W. S. Collier, Crown Counsel, submitted to a Marine Court appointed by the Governor to investigate the grounding of the China Fir, that negligence on the part of the Captain, Cpt George Culverson Walker, in conning the ship caused its stranding in the eastern approaches of Hongkong on the night of April 18.

THEY CALL HIM 'MR DIAMOND'

American jeweller on spending spree

An American jeweller Mr Sidney Krandsall, is now in town "on a spending spree."

President of Sidney Krandsall and Sons, Jewellers, and head of the Abrasive Dressing Tool Co., manufacturers of industrial diamond tools, both of Detroit,

studded ash-tray and an emerald-tipped cigarette holder. Mr Krandsall said he helped the American Government "tremendously" during the war. Today he has helped overcome many difficulties in the fitting of industrial diamonds to certain parts of jet aircraft.

Mr Krandsall, who arrived with his wife on Sunday from Tokyo by Northwest Airlines will next leave for India.

SIDNEY KRANDALL

he is also known among his friends as "Mr Diamond." During his two weeks here, Mr Krandsall will consider investing in a local pearl farm and will also look out for "suitable antiques, gems, unusual pearls and art objects."

This is part of his plan to develop a "direct marketing network" for his American operations by establishing buying offices in each of the Eastern countries — Hongkong, India, Ceylon, the Philippines, Thailand.

A gemmologist, Mr Krandsall owns a diamond mine in Brazil, and is a big buyer of gem stones.

Among his collections is a 14-carat studded with 500 diamonds (totalling 85 carats), one of the few remaining relics of the Hapsburgs. He bought it from Princess Lida Radziwill on her visit to America.

In Cairo, "Mr Diamond" bought quite a few articles from ex-King Farouk's estate including a gold-and-diamond-

"It would be unpleasant to say to a captain of Captain Walker's experience that he was responsible for the ship's stranding, but evidence given so far indicated so," he said.

Mr Collier was making his submission at the conclusion this morning of the investigation of the stranding of the China Fir at Ngai Ying Poi on the night of April 18. The ship was on the way to Japan with a cargo of 8,500 tons of iron ore. It was later declared a constructive total loss.

Mr Collier said that although the ship was provided with a necessary navigational aids, it should have had a radar set.

"It need not be an elaborate set, but one which should be on a ship such as the China Fir."

"I submit that the ship was not adequately equipped with navigational aids, and that the ship's owner was responsible for that failure," he said.

STEERING GEAR

"You, gentlemen, should dismiss the probability that the steering gear of the vessel suddenly failed before the impact. According to evidence of the quartermasters, no defects of the gear were experienced."

"It must have been something drastic at the helm which happened just prior to the foundering."

"It does appear that Captain Walker was not assisted by a good crew, and that goes a long way to mitigate what he failed to do in this case," Mr Collier continued.

On a night such as April 18, lookouts should be posted on the bridge, Mr Collier said, but the China Fir had no lookouts whatsoever on the night in question.

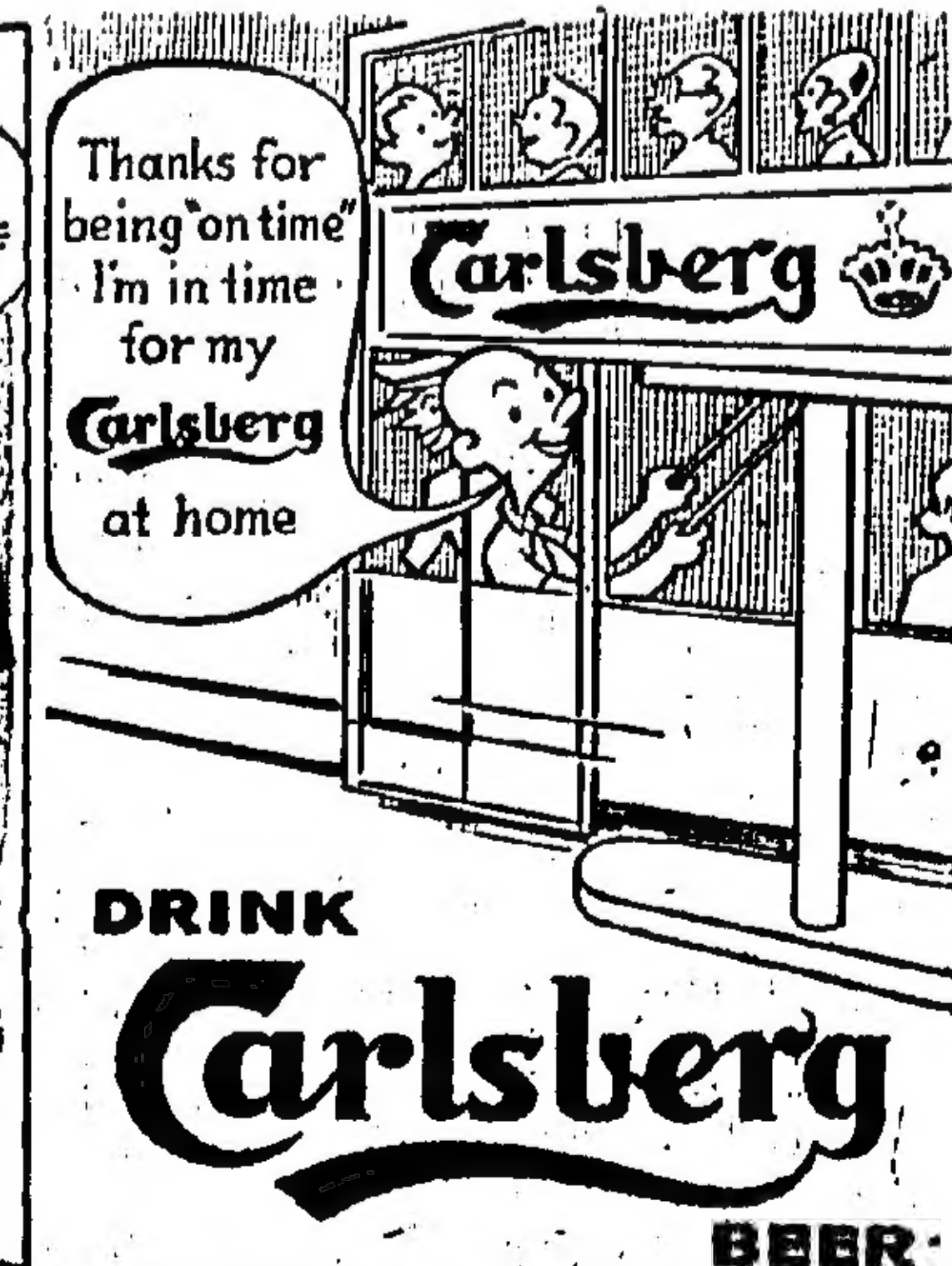
All in all, the evidence summed up that there was negligence on Captain Walker's part which led to the stranding of the China Fir, Mr Collier concluded.

The proceedings were adjourned until Saturday morning for the Court to give its findings.

The Court consisted of Acting District Judge W. F. Pickering, and three assessors who are Masters of the British Mercantile Marine. They are Captain O. L. Work, Extra Master, Captain C. R. Toribio, Master Mariner, and Captain G. I. Lawson, Master Mariner.

Mr R. F. Dennis represented Captain Walker; Mr G. C. Hill represented the owner, the Fir Line Ltd, and Mr Y. Hindmarsh appeared for the Chief Engineer, Mr J. W. Lively.

Mr Collier was assisted by Mr K. Milburn, professional officer of the Marine Department.



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